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## **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM GUIDELINES**

### **SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

The award(s) shall be for one academic year. Applicants may reapply for subsequent years. The scholarship award may be used towards an accredited institution of higher learning or professional parking certification program. The winner will have to submit an accountability of the scholarship award. The scholarship will be awarded in August.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for the MAPA Scholarship Award you must be:

1. An employee (full-time, part-time, or student) of a MAPA organization member.
2. A spouse or dependent child of an employee of a MAPA organization member.
3. An employee must be employed for one year at the time of application.
4. Either a citizen or a resident alien.

MAPA organizational membership is defined as the affiliated department that is involved in parking matters.

### **SELECTION COMMITTEE**

The selection committee will be comprised of three MAPA Board Members.

### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

Selection will be based primarily on merit. Selection will be made by the Scholarship Committee on the basis of merit, scholarship and extracurricular achievement, character, meritorious service and application criteria such as transcripts, recommendations, etc. The Scholarship Committee will select the recipient in June for the academic year beginning in the fall. All applicants will be notified of the final selections at that time.

## **APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MAY 15, 2016**

- **An application which will include employment history**

- **An official transcript**
- **Photograph of applicant (For use in the MAPA Newsletter)**
- **An essay (maximum of 1000 words)**
  - The essay should include educational goals, extra curricular activities, career interests, any special financial needs. The essay will be reviewed and rated by two individuals who are not members of MAPA
- **Two letters of recommendation (signed originals)**
- **A letter of acceptance if applying to a professional parking certification program**

### **PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP**

A check will be made payable to the institution the scholarship recipient is attending. Authorization to release funds will be made only after the recipient has completed registration.

### **RESPONSIBILITY OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT**

1. Scholarship recipient must enroll in:
  - a. a college or university in the fall of the year in which scholarships are awarded, and continue in that college or university that entire academic year without interruption, barring illness or emergencies, or
  - b. a professional parking certification program approved by the MAPA Board of Directors. Special consideration will be given to payment arrangements for professional accreditation programs.
2. The recipient should maintain satisfactory progress toward completion of degree requirements.
3. A recipient who leaves school and does not complete the course of study during the period for which he or she has received a scholarship may be required to return the award.
4. A recipient may be required to participate in a regular Board meeting or activity of the association in June or July to report on his or her academic progress. Recipients may be required to participate in any follow-up studies conducted by the association.
5. Recipient must respond by phone or in writing to the President or designee within 30 days of award to receive it.

**Application Deadline: May 15, 2016**

**Submit Application to:  
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