The One AWWA Operator Scholarship

The One AWWA Operator Scholarship is funded through the support of AWWA’s Water Equation and the South Dakota Section AWWA.

PURPOSE of AWARD

AWWA’s Water Equation and the South Dakota Section, will award the One AWWA Operator Scholarship in the amount of up to $1000.00 to individuals for Water Operator training and education. Depending on requests, the Section reserves the right to award more than one scholarship in smaller amounts (still totaling $1000.00 for the year).

Scholarship award funds can be used for certification/licensure, two- or four-year water related associate (or other) degree, technical school program, professional training program, books and manuals, and operator related conferences.

Each scholarship recipient will receive a complimentary one-year AWWA Operator membership.

ELIGIBILITY/GUIDELINES

• Applicant must be a current water operator or seeking to enter the water operator profession.

• Applicant must be pursuing an Operator’s License or Certification, two or four-year degree related to the water operator profession, or professional development.

• If applicable, disbursement of the funds will be made directly by the Section to the financial office of recipient’s college, university, or technical school.

• Items related to books, manuals, conferences, professional development courses, and other eligible expenses will be reimbursed to recipient upon presentation of eligible receipts.

• Applicant must reside or work within the geographical boundaries of South Dakota.

• Acceptance of scholarship constitutes permission to use recipient’s name and scholarship story for purpose of promotion.

• Preference will be given to applicants from small systems.

APPLICATION PROCESS: DEADLINE/SELECTION/PRESENTATION

The following is needed in order to apply for this scholarship:

• A completed One AWWA Operator Scholarship application which includes the following:
  o A write-up of applicant’s current job duties.
  o A short paragraph on plans for use of the scholarship funds.

• The applicant must be a US citizen and reside or work within the State of South Dakota.
• Submit the completed application by December 1st of the current year by e-mailing or mail to:

Jodi Johanson
SDAWWA
23343 479th Ave
Egan, SD 57024
sdawwa@yahoo.com

• Scholarship recipients will be notified by mail / e-mail by January 1st. The winners will be announced at the Water Seminar in February of the following year.

• Scholarship money must be used by the recipient only and is nontransferable.

• Preference will be given to applicants who:
  o Are current members of SDAWWA or who work for a utility member of SDAWWA.
  o Currently working for a small water utility
  o Have not previously received this scholarship
The One AWWA Operator Scholarship APPLICATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION
Name: __________________________________________________________
Address: _________________________________________________________

Phone: ___________________________    Email: ________________________________

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION
Employer: ________________________________________________________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________________________________

Phone: ___________________________    Current Position: _____________________________

Number of Years Experience: ___________    Operator Level: _________
Are You a Member of AWWA (Yes or No): ______
Veteran (Yes or No): _________________

HOW YOU WILL USE THE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS (check all that apply)
☐ 2 or 4-year Water Operator Related Degree    ☐ Technical School    ☐ Operator Certification or Licensure
☐ Professional Development Program or Conference    ☐ Books and Manuals

CURRENT JOB DUTIES:

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HOW DO YOU PLAN TO USE THE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS?
(To include career objectives and how this scholarship will enhance your ability for professional development and bring value to your waterworks, customers, community and the water industry as a whole.)

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information included in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and I grant permission to AWWA’s Water Equation and sponsoring Section to release my name and award for promotional use.

Signature: ____________________________ Date: ________________