

CROSS MILLS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Background

The Cross Mills Volunteer Fire Department (CMFD) Scholarship Award was established November 4, 2010 by the newly formed Scholarship Committee. This committee was sanctioned by vote of CMFD members. Duties of the Scholarship Committee include the review of all applications to ensure that the applicant meets established criteria and the award of individual scholarships to eligible applicants. The committee will be comprised of the Board of Trustees and up to two regular members of the CMFD. One member of this committee will be designated the chairperson. This chairperson will be the primary contact for all correspondence and interface between the Scholarship Committee, and the body of CMFD.

Purpose

The purpose of this scholarship is to provide monetary scholarships to CMFD members (who have been active for at least one (1) year, as defined by the current CMFD bylaws) and desire to continue their education. This scholarship is extended to his/her immediate family, which includes spouse and children. Funds awarded under this program will be utilized for tuition payment toward accredited institutions/programs, the purchase of assigned books for classes, or room and board for college purposes. Misuse of these funds will negate their validity and must be returned to the CMFD Scholarship Committee.

Funding

Initial and ongoing funding of this scholarship will be one thousand dollars (\$1,000) annually and will be the result of profit generated by CMFD's fundraiser held at the Washington County Fair. Additional funding may be made through various donations,

fundraisers or transfer of funds based upon need and subject to approval by the body of CMFD members.

Application

Applications may be obtained through the Station Chief or CMVFD President. The Scholarship Committee must receive all applications by May 15th. Scholarship Committee members will review applications. Those applicants who will receive scholarships will be notified by mail by August 1st.

Dispersal

The maximum amount that will be dispersed to a single person will be up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). In no case will the award exceed the billed amount. In the event of multiple awards, the entire amount (\$1,000.00) will be divided equally amongst the recipients.

Should an applicant apply for schooling, which would encompass 2 to 3 semesters, the award amount will be dispersed each semester based upon the institutions billed amounts and not to exceed the original approved amount.

In the event of numerous applications, which meet the required criteria, the CMFD body may increase the funding of the scholarship fund through transferring of funds.

Should individual recipients wish to increase their individual scholarship amounts, specific scholarship fundraisers (e.g. car wash), approved by the CMFD body, may be undertaken. Funds generated as a result of these fundraisers will be divided equally amongst those individuals participating in the fundraiser and be dispersed along with their regular CMFD scholarship.

When the recipient has made payment toward tuition and fee's, a copy of the bill should be forwarded to the Scholarship Committee, in care of the committee chairperson. Upon receipt, the scholarship funds will be issued to the award recipient or paid directly to the school.

February 16, 2011

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APPLICATION**

Name of Applicant

Date

Address

Home Phone

Name of Sponsoring Member

Signature of Sponsoring Member

Latest school attended

Highest grade completed

School Attending

Area in which degree is sought

Educational Goals

Please provide a paragraph describing your reason for choosing this school and your goals in attending

Activities

Please list your involvement in activities and organizations for the past five years. Include the number of years in each and include specific responsibilities or projects completed. Please include part-time jobs and volunteer activities.

Awards and Honors

Please list any awards and/or honors you have received during the past five years

Personal Statement

Please add anything which has not been addressed and you feel may be beneficial for the committee to know

Signature

Application must be delivered to Cross Mills Station Chief in a sealed white envelope. Envelope marked *Scholarship Award*. Application must be received on or before May 15th