



AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION - SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER

2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION & INFORMATION FOR REAPPLYING UNDERGRADUATE COLLEGE STUDENTS

The APWA Southern California Chapter will be awarding scholarships, ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000, to a limited number of qualifying undergraduates who have completed, prior to the 2017 Fall Semester, at least one year in a Southern California college or trade/technical school major that qualifies for a career in the Public Works field. A list of these majors is on the last page. **Completed applications must be mailed to City of Brea, Public Works Agency c/o Tony Olmos, 545 Berry Street, Brea, CA 92821 or emailed to tonyo@cityofbrea.net no later than April 28, 2017.** If emailed, compile one PDF file in specific order (application, essay, letter(s) of recommendation and unofficial transcripts) and name the file using this convention, *lastnamefirstname-APWA2017*.

QUALIFYING CRITERIA - Applicants must also meet the qualifying criteria outlined below.

1. Applicant **must** have a cumulative **grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or better, no exceptions.**
2. Applicant must plan to enroll as a full-time undergraduate student (a minimum of 12 units) in a Southern California community college, trade school, four-year college or university during the 2017 Fall Semester or Quarter. Graduate students are not eligible for these scholarships. A list of qualifying majors is on the last page.
3. Applicant must attend a community college, trade school, four-year college or university in the Southern California area during the 2017/18 school year.
4. Applicant must complete the Scholarship Questionnaire, including a one to three page essay, on Pages 2 and 3 of this application. Applicant must also include their latest college transcript and a letter of recommendation from a college professor.
5. Final selection of the scholarship recipients will be made prior to May 31, 2017.
6. Those applicants awarded scholarships must agree to assist with a Southern California APWA Chapter event, including the annual Golf Tournament, promote APWA (Scholarship Program and Young Professionals) and/or participate in a local Public Works community event, for a minimum of **four hours** (combined). This commitment must take place in Southern California. Proof of commitment (letter or attendance sheet) must be submitted for approval prior to receiving scholarship award check.
7. Prior to issuance of check, recipients must provide a short bio and headshot within 1 week of being notified, enrollment verification form from educational institute, Fall 2017 schedule and proof of commitment. Checks will be requested at the end of September, October and November and usually mailed within 1 week.
8. Those applicants awarded scholarships will be eligible to compete for an additional scholarship in subsequent years while they pursue their undergraduate degree.



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SCHOLARSHIP QUESTIONNAIRE

Please fill in the following, use additional pages if necessary.

Applicant's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____ **Phone #:** _____

College Attending: _____

College Address: _____

College Year Completed: _____ **% of required units completed:** _____

Major/Minor (one only): _____

Overall GPA: _____

Extra-Curricular Activities: _____

Describe your 4-hour commitment to APWA (where, how and when)? Please include contact information for person who oversaw your volunteer work.

I certify that I am a _____ (insert Freshman, Sophomore, etc...) in good standing at _____ . I expect to have completed ___ year(s) in pursuit of a qualifying Public Works major prior to the 2017/2018 school year and plan to enroll at _____ in the Fall of 2017.

Applicant Signature _____



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What experience have you had in the Public Works field? Please explain.

Please add any comments or additional information that may be helpful to the evaluation committee, i.e. how did you spend your scholarship check, etc.

Please answer the following three questions in an essay that is no less than one page and no more than three pages long.

1. Restate your career goals and explain how you plan to achieve them?
2. Explain what you've learned about Public Works since you last received your scholarship and explain why you're considering a career in Public Works.
3. What particular Public Works jobs especially interest you?



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QUALIFYING MAJORS

UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE/COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Civil Engineering
Computer Science
Construction Management
Environmental Studies
Geographic Information Systems
Landscape Architecture

TRADE/TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

Arborist/Landscape Design
CAD Design/Drafting
Construction Inspection
Computer Technician
Fleet/Heavy Equipment Mechanic
Geotechnology Technician
Materials Technician
Public Works
Surveying
Transportation Technician
Water & Wastewater Technicians