

ANNOUNCEMENT

NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS MEMORIAL CONSERVATION SCHOLARSHIP

ONE \$1,500 SCHOLARSHIP TO BE AWARDED FOR 2017

The NJACD Memorial Conservation Scholarship Fund establishes a continuing memorial to those recognized and honored through monetary contribution for their dedicated service to the conservation of our natural resources. This scholarship is granted to encourage and support qualified students to pursue a career in a field related to the conservation and management of natural resources.

Contributions to the Scholarship Fund have been invested to produce a continuing source of income to support scholarships to qualifying students in the field of conservation. Scholarships are funded from the interest earned on the New Jersey Association of Conservation Districts Memorial Conservation Scholarship Fund.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Must be a New Jersey resident.
2. Must be a full time student in good standing at an accredited college (not necessarily in NJ).
3. Must have successfully completed, or will complete by the scholarship award date, at least four full semesters of study.
4. Must be an undergraduate enrolled in a curriculum major of agriculture or natural resource conservation, including agronomy, soil science, plant science, forestry, geography, agricultural education, environmental science, wildlife or fisheries management, environmental engineering, agricultural/resource economics or other major related to conservation.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

1. Academic commitment to a field of conservation.
2. Demonstrated scholastic ability.
3. Involvement in extra curricular activities or volunteer projects related to conservation.
4. Financial Need

HOW TO APPLY

Applications may be obtained from any Soil Conservation District in New Jersey, from the New Jersey Association of Conservation Districts, or the State Soil Conservation Committee, PO Box 330, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.

Applications must be submitted by **May 8, 2017** to:

Memorial Conservation Scholarship
New Jersey Association of Conservation Districts
c/o NJDA - PO Box 330, Room 204
Trenton, New Jersey 08625

The announcement of the scholarship winners will be made by mid May, 2017

11. Semesters Completed _____ Currently enrolled in semester _____
[Must have successfully completed four semesters of study by the Scholarship Award date]

12. Name of college advisor: _____ Tel: _____

13. Submit official transcript of your courses and grades with application. Indicate date of request for transcript, if not included with application: _____
Indicate your current Grade Point Average: _____

14. What percent of the cost of your education do you personally contribute?

15. By what means? [Please describe briefly]

Grants and/or scholarships (%): _____

Student Loans (%): _____

Work (%): _____

Other (%): _____

16. Explain, in 500 words or less, why you feel that you are deserving of this scholarship. Relate to financial need and commitment to the field. [Attach additional sheet if needed].

17. Describe, in 500 words or less, involvement in extra curricular activities/projects related to conservation. List your duties, leadership roles and accomplishments. [Attach additional sheet if needed].

18. (Optional) Letters of recommendation and other information to support your selection for this scholarship may be submitted with this application.