



SOUTHEAST CONSERVATION DISTRICT EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP

OBJECTIVE

The Southeast Conservation District Employees Association **Professional Training Scholarship** provides financial assistance to members of the Association who are currently employed but unable to attend the Annual SECDEA Conference due to budget constraints. Assistance will be provided for registration and travel, with some restrictions.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicant must: (a) be a member in good standing with their respective states' district employee association (b) have demonstrated integrity, ability, and competence in his or her work (c) have completed at least one year of employment with a soil and water conservation district. (d) guarantee attendance of the entire conference starting with opening ceremonies and ending with the banquet (e) have local Board approval to attend the conference prior to submitting application and (f) show reasonable financial need

AMOUNT

Scholarship monies will cover the cost of hotel accommodations, registration, or other incurred expenses at the discretion of the scholarship committee. (Expenses up to but not exceeding \$500) Receipts are required and must be submitted to Meleiah Tyus within 30 days of conclusion of conference. Applications will be reviewed, and the Scholarship Committee will make the selection.

APPLICATIONS

Applications for the scholarship must reach the SECDEA Scholarship Committee Chairman, Meleiah Tyus by **August 1, 2023**.

CANCELLATION

If for any reason the recipient of the scholarship needs to cancel, please do so in a timely manner and be sure to let Meleiah Tyus, Scholarship Chairman know. You are responsible for contacting the hotel to cancel room reservation. If the recipient has a last-minute cancellation, the recipient will be responsible for any incurred expenses that cannot be cancelled or refunded. The SECDEA will bill recipient/District.

Recipient will be kept confidential.

Questions? Please contact our Scholarship Chairman, Meleiah Tyus at 662-912-4152 or by email desotocountyswcd@gmail.com

***Scan completed application and letter from chairman to: desotocountyswcd@gmail.com**

Thank you for your interest in SECDEA!



SECDEA CONFERENCE PROFESSIONAL TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

November 7-9, 2023 – Pigeon Forge, TN

Please Note: Scholarship recipient must attend both full days of the conference.

*Scholarship monies will pay for hotel room, registration or other incurred expenses at the scholarship committee's discretion.
(Expenses up to but not exceeding \$500)*

**Receipts are required and must be submitted to Meleiah Tyus
within 30 days of conclusion of conference**

Any other activities in addition to regular registration must be paid by the District or Applicant.

Please complete the following questions and information below.

Why would you like to receive a scholarship to attend the Southeast Conservation District Employees Annual Conference?

Have you ever attended the SECDEA Conference?

What activities are you involved in with the district?

Are you a member of your state District Employees Association? Do you serve on a committee?

What are the districts circumstances behind your financial need?

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Hire date: _____ District: _____ State _____

Scan and email the application along with a Letter of Recommendation from the Chairman of your Board stating the need for financial assistance and agreement for you to attend the conference.

Please be fully committed to attend before applying.
Attendance is required for both full days of the conference.

By August 1, 2023, to:

Meleiah Tyus

Email: desotocountyswcd@gmail.com

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****If cancelled last minute or after cancellation period, recipient/District will be responsible for any incurred expense that cannot be cancelled or refunded. SECDEA will bill recipient/District****