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**TO: ALL APWU MEMBERS
SUBJECT: SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**

APWU SCHOLARSHIPS

Every year the APWU rewards 10 students with a scholarship that can be used to attend a four-year undergraduate program at any college or used to receive certification (technical, industrial, or vocational) at any vocational school. Recipients are selected based on academic performance, and they must be the child or grandchild or an active or retired APWU member.

The Hallbeck award is used toward a four-year academic program at a college or university of the students' choosing and each recipient will receive \$2,000 per year for up to four years of study. There are 10 students selected for this award, one male and one female recipient from each of the five APWU regions (Central, Eastern, Northeast, Southern, and Western).

The Vocational award is used to receive certification for a specialized skill or trade and each recipient will receive up to \$3000 (\$1000 annually) for eligible programs that can be of a nine month to three-year duration.

The scholarships are open only to high school seniors. Interested applicants can only apply for either the Hallbeck or Vocational scholarships, not both. You can view or download a copy of the application by visiting our national's website (www.apwu.org). The APWU must receive completed applications by **March 15, 2012**.

UNION PLUS SCHOLARSHIPS

The Union Plus Scholarship Program was created by the AFL-CIO and awards scholarships to union members and their families to attend college, trade, or technical schools. The awards range from \$500 to \$4000. Union Plus also offers college prep test discounts, educational rebates, and National Labor College scholarships. Any member of the APWU can apply for this scholarship in conjunction with any other scholarship opportunities. Your APWU membership entitles you to participate in this program and many other programs and discounts offered by Union Plus. Union Plus also offers APWU members a free scholarship search that contains a database of more than 3,700 scholarships. Visit the website (www.unionplus.org) to view all available discounts or to download a copy of the scholarship application. All applications must be postmarked by **January 31, 2012**.

PENNSYLVANIA AFL-CIO SCHOLARSHIPS

Our Local is also affiliated with the PA AFL-CIO and that entitles you to apply for this scholarship opportunity as well.

The PA AFL-CIO offers an essay scholarship that is divided into three categories: Graduating High School Seniors, All Post-Secondary Students, and affiliated Union Members Attending an Accredited Institution. First place awards \$2000, second place awards \$1000, and third place awards \$500. You can view or download a copy of the application by visiting the website (www.paaflicio.org). All applications must be received by **January 31, 2012**.

You can only apply for one of the APWU scholarships, either the Hallbeck or Vocational awards, but in addition to your APWU selection, you can also apply for the Union Plus and PA AFL-CIO scholarships. Any member that is interested in receiving an application can visit any of the websites listed above or you can contact the Treasurer's office and copies will be mailed to your current address.

In Solidarity,
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