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Humane Society of Wicomico County Scholarship 2012

Please find attached the 2012 Humane Society of Wicomico County Scholarship form. This form should be reproduced and sent to all area high schools. I have also enclosed a sample press release for the press announcing the scholarship. Please feel free to use this to promote our scholarship.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Scholarship Committee. Your cooperation and participation is greatly appreciated.

Review Committee Members:

Jody Morrison

TA Phillips

Maryanne Brown

Thanks – together we can make this year Scholarship process a success.

Respectfully,
David A. Fitzgerald
Executive Director

HUMANE SOCIETY OF WICOMICO COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

We are offering a **\$1000** scholarship for the year 2012.

OBJECTIVE: To promote animal care in Wicomico County and to assist students pursuing a career in veterinarian technology.

TERM: One scholarship per year July 1 to June 30. Award will be sent to the student's higher education facility.

ELIGIBILITY: Applicant must be a senior attending an accredited high school in Wicomico County.

JUDGING CRITERIA: Scholarships will be awarded based on the quality of a student's essay, community involvement, student records, grades, financial need, site visit, and personal references.

All APPLICATIONS will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee.

The Application and Essay **Deadline is April 2, 2012.** All applications must be postmarked or hand delivered no later than April 2, 2012 to **Humane Society of Wicomico County, 5130 Citation Drive, Salisbury, MD 21804 ATTN: Scholarship.**

Scholarship payment will be awarded to the student's higher education facility. This scholarship can be used for the books, tuition, or other college related expenses. Documentation of expenditures for said amount will be made available to the Scholarship Committee. The student must commit to obtaining clinical hours and volunteering at our facility as a vet tech as available during their vet tech program period to the satisfaction of the Executive Director, Scholarship Committee, and Board of Directors.

**HUMANE SOCIETY OF WICOMICO COUNTY
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
APPLICATION FORM**

Eligibility – These scholarships are open to any resident of Maryland who is a High School Senior and will be receiving a Maryland High School Diploma during the 2012 academic school year. Application and essay deadline: April 2, 2012 (no exceptions) Scholarship recipients will be selected by May 7, 2012.

(Please type or print)

Date: _____ *Birthdate:* _____

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Ph # _____ *Social Security Number:* _____ - _____ - _____

Parent(s) or Guardian: _____

Name of High School: _____

Name of High School Counselor / Phone Number: _____

What is your G.P.A.? _____

How did you find out about this scholarship program? _____

List any involvement you have had in your local community (use another sheet is needed): _____



Application includes an Essay – see attached sheet for topic and rules.

NOTE: Any member of the Humane Society Board of Directors and their family members are not eligible for the scholarship.

Office Use Only:
Date Recd. _____
Applicant #: _____

Directions/Overall Rules for Scholarship Application

1. Complete the Application – All information must be completed, including social security number.
2. Acceptance Letter from college or higher education facility that student will be attending.
3. Two letters of reference – *All applicants must provide a minimum of two reference letters. Letters may be from school administrators, teachers, civic leaders, ministers, neighbors, or job supervisors.*
4. **Reference letters can not be from family members.**
5. Humane Society Contact Form should be completed and returned with the application.
6. Essay – All applicants must submit a 500 word – double spaced essay.

Essay topic:

“Describe your interest in animals and what made you decide to enter the veterinarian technician program”

Rules for the essay:

- Must be a *minimum of 500 words, typed, double-spaced.*
 - Contain a cover sheet providing the students’ name, address and contact number
 - **Do not place your name on any other page of the essay.**
 - **Placement of any personal information on the essay pages could result in disqualification.**
7. All applicants must call the Executive Director at 410-749-7603 and schedule an appointment to visit the Humane Society and complete the form provided.
 8. Finalist for consideration of scholarship(s) maybe required to provide additional information as deemed necessary by the Committee.
 9. You may apply and will be considered regardless of your race, religion, sex, national origin, or handicapping conditions.
 10. Selection and awards by the Committee and/or Board of Directors are final.
 11. Any member of the Humane Society Board of Directors and their family members are not eligible for the scholarship.

REMEMBER: Application and essay deadline is April 2, 2012

Submit to: **Humane Society of Wicomico County**
ATTN: Scholarship
5130 Citation Drive
Salisbury, MD 21804

HUMANE SOCIETY CONTACT FORM

Applicant – Please contact the Humane Society of Wicomico County Executive Director 410-749-7603 and complete this form. Submit your form with your completed application and essay. Please use the back of form or additional sheet of paper if needed.

1. Name of Person who conducted tour:

2. Date of Tour:

3. What are the responsibilities and missions of the Humane Society?

4. What was your impression of the facility?

5. Do you think you would be interested in working or volunteering at our facility?

6. What part of our operations were you most interested in?

7. Applicant understands all requirements to receive scholarship including clinic and volunteer hours at our shelter and/or clinic.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Submit completed form with your application and essay before April 2, 2012.

PRESS RELEASE



Announces 2012 Scholarship

The Humane Society of Wicomico County is offering a \$1000 scholarship for the school year 2012. One scholarship per year. The Humane Society's Objective is to animal care and safety to assist students pursuing a career in Veterinary Technology.

Applicant must be a senior enrolled in an accredited Wicomico County High School. Applications can be obtained from your local high school guidance office or from the Humane Society.

Applications and Essay deadline is April 2, 2012.

END OF NEWS RELEASE

Approved by: Board of Directors—January 17, 2011

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