



RHODE ISLAND FOOD DEALERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND



Member Focused; Results Driven

Rhode Island Food Dealers Association is happy to announce the 2012-2013 scholarship program. The program has been established to add economic support and provide a value-added benefit to our members and their employees. The funding for this scholarship is raised annually at our Charitable Golf Tournament and other RIFDA member events. This year's proceeds from these events will allow us to offer four \$1,000 scholarships.

The scholarship program recognizes and aids deserving students who are related by virtue of their parents, employment or their own full or part time employment in the food industry. All candidates must be recommended by member of the RIFDA. Winners will be honored at the Annual Meeting and Holiday Gala on Saturday, December 1, 2012 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Newport, RI.

OVERVIEW

OFFERING from RIFDA: Four (4) - \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIPS (One-time non-renewable grants)
GENERAL ELIGIBILITY: Requirements Include the Following:

- ◆ Candidate must be child of or employee of a Southern New England business directly active in the food industry (minimum of six months employment required)
- ◆ Applicant must be endorsed/recommended by a current RI Food Dealers Association Member
- ◆ Applicant must plan on attending an accredited two or four-year post-secondary school in 2013 and has or will receive a high school diploma from an accredited institution.
- ◆ Aspirant must demonstrate financial need.

APPLICATION PROCESS: All interested candidates must submit RIFDA Scholarship Application with supporting documents to RIFDA by Friday November 2, 2012

- ◆ **Additional Supporting Documents Required:**
 - ❖ A recommendation from RIFDA Active Member
 - ❖ An outside recommendation (i.e. teacher, guidance counselor, coach, etc)
 - ❖ Essay of not more than 500 words outlining applicant's goals in attending post secondary education including how this funding will contribute to this goal(s).
- ◆ **Optional Documents to Consider:**
 - ❖ Verifiable High School Transcripts
 - ❖ Additional letters of recommendation
- ◆ **Return Application and Supporting Documents to:**
RIFDA Scholarship Committee
450 Veterans Memorial Parkway
Building Number 8
East Providence, RI 02914

SELECTION PROCESS: The RIFDA Scholarship Committee will review Applications and all supporting documents. All semi-finalists will be determined based on evaluation of these materials.

All semi-finalists will be notified and be required to participate in a brief interview with the committee between Tuesday, Nov. 13th and Saturday, Nov. 17th

- ◆ Evaluations, based on the materials submitted and the interview process, will be completed and final determination made as to the awardees by Tuesday, November 20th
- ◆ All decisions made by the scholarship committee based on tangible and intangible documents and evaluations will be final
- ◆ Scholarship winners will be notified on or prior to Wednesday, November 21st
- ◆ Scholarships will be awarded on Saturday, December 1st as part of the RIFDA Annual Meeting & Holiday Gala



RHODE ISLAND FOOD DEALERS ASSOCIATION 2012/2013 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Rhode Island Food Dealers Association is happy to announce the 2012-2013 scholarship program. The program has been established to add economic support and provide a value-added benefit to our members and their employees. The funding for this scholarship is raised annually at our Charitable Golf Tournament and other member events. This year's proceeds from these events will allow us to offer four \$1,000 scholarships.

The scholarship program recognizes and aids deserving students who are related by virtue of their parents employment or their own full or part time employment in the food industry. All candidates must be recommended by a member of the RIFDA. Winners will be honored at the Annual Meeting and Holiday Gala on December 1, 2012 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Newport, RI.



2011/2012 Scholarship Winners



RIFDA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD HIGHLIGHTS

FOUR
ONE TIME NON-RENEWABLE
SCHOLARSHIPS OF \$1,000 EACH.

MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN
NOVEMBER 2, 2012

THE AWARD RECEIPIENTS WILL BE
NOTIFIED BY NOVEMBER 30, 2012

WINNERS WILL BE HONORED AT THE RIFDA
ANNUAL MEETING AND HOLIDAY GALA
DECEMBER 1, 2012



2010/2011 Scholarship Winners

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THIS SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY,
PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL RIFDA FOR AN APPLICATION.

● 401-431-0880

EMAIL: SARTHURS@RIFDA.COM * LWERY@RIFDA.COM * CJONES@RIFDA.COM