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Council of Native American Heritage



TO: All Scholarship Applicants

FROM: Council of Native American Heritage - Union Pacific

SUBJECT: Union Pacific Railroad CONAH Scholarship for Native American Students

Dear Student:

Attached is the application material for the 2015 Union Pacific Railroad Council of Native American Heritage (CONAH) Native American Scholarship. This scholarship is a \$500 or \$1000 award to assist Native American Students in defraying the cost of higher education. Recipients are chosen on the basis of scholastic ability, leadership, and need. All selections are within the discretion of the CONAH Scholarship Committee and are final.

To be eligible for this scholarship, applicants must:

- Be a citizen of the United States
- Be of Native American Descent
- Obtain a High School Diploma or G.E.D by June 30, 2015.
- Be enrolled Full Time at an accredited College/University
- Be pursuing a Certificate/Associate/Bachelor/Master Degree
- Have a grade point average of **2.5 or above on a 4.0** scale or equivalent.

The submission deadline for all Council of Native American (CONAH) Scholarship applications including all supporting documents is **March 31, 2015**. Applications and other information postmarked after **March 31, 2015, *will not*** be accepted.



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CONAH Scholarship Application



APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name (First, Middle, Last):

Mailing Address:

City: State: ZIP Code:

Home Phone: Cell Phone:

Email Address:

Tribal Affiliation: Enrolled Tribal Member: Yes No

Have you applied to the CONAH Scholarship Before? Yes No Were you awarded? Yes No

Are you a dependent of a Union Pacific Railroad Employee? Yes No

If yes, Employee's Name:

Where did you hear about the Scholarship?

AISES Conference School Counselor UPRR Employee Other:_____

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Name:

School Address:

City: State: Zip Code:

School Phone: Current GPA: Cumulative GPA:

ACT Score: SAT Score: Graduation Date (Anticipated):

Is this school a tribal school? Yes No Is this school located on an Indian Reservation? Yes No

POST SECONDARY EDUCATION INFORMATION

School Name:

School Address:

City: State: Zip Code:

School Phone: Current GPA: Cumulative GPA:

Current Grade Level: Anticipated Graduation Date:

Major: Type of Degree:

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Current Employer:

Employer Address:

City: State: ZIP Code:

Phone: Employment Dates: to

Position: Hours Worked per Week:

Responsibilities:



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HONOR/AWARDS

Description of Honors, Awards, or Recognitions received (include date):

EXTRA-CURRICULAR/COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Description of Extra-Curricular or Volunteer activities outside of school within the last two years (church, community, hobbies, responsibilities at home, and cultural activities):

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & PERMISSION

I hereby affirm that the information contained in this scholarship application is true and correct. The Union Pacific Railroad Council of Native American Heritage (CONAH) is hereby authorized to verify any information contained in this application. I understand that any falsification or misrepresentation will result in disqualification. I agree to accept the decision of the CONAH Scholarship Committee in regards to this scholarship application. *****Applications without required signature will be disqualified.*****

Applicant's Signature:

Date:



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SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY

The essay is a critical part of your application. Essay must be a minimum 300 words and typed or printed neatly in black ink. Be as detailed as possible when responding. ***Please write your essay on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to your application***

Essay Question:

Explain your academic goals and future plans. What do you expect to gain from your experience in college? How will your goals impact the native community/culture? How will the CONAH Scholarship help you meet your goals?

CONAH Scholarship Application - Checklist

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Postmarked no later than March 31, 2015

Please make sure you include everything on this checklist. Your application will not be considered until it is complete.

_____CONAH Scholarship Application

_____Scholarship Essay Response

_____Two (2) completed Recommendation Forms from two individuals who are familiar with the following:

- Academics
- Extra-Curricular/Community/Volunteer

_____Copy of Certificate of Indian Blood/Tribal Member Card (enrolled tribal members only)

_____Your official High School/GED/College Transcript

_____ACT/SAT scores (high school students only)

_____Letter of Admission (first year college student only)

_____Class Registration (must be provided prior to receiving award)

Complete application should be mailed to:

Union Pacific Railroad
 CONAH Scholarship Committee
 Attn: Lydia White
 Mail Stop 0304
 1400 Douglas St.
 Omaha, NE 68179

The Scholarship Committee will review your application to ensure minimum eligibility requirements are met. You will **not** be contacted if there are any missing documents. Final decisions of awards will be made by June 30, 2015. If you have any questions regarding the scholarship or application, please contact:

Desrié Tom, Scholarship Chair at 303-263-3660 or dtom1@up.com

Lydia White, Scholarship Co-Chair at 402-544-1327 or llwhite@up.com



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RECOMMENDATION FORM, ACADEMIC

Please complete the recommendation form and return to the applicant in a sealed envelope to be included with their application. Answer all questions completely. Your accurate and honest appraisal of the applicant is critical to the scholarship award decision process. Avoid using the applicant's name in your written responses to assure anonymity in evaluating the application. Additional pages may be attached. **The referral cannot be a family member. **

Applicant Name: _____

What course are you teaching/have taught the applicant? _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

Describe the applicant's general attitude towards school and education. _____

Describe the applicant's work ethic in your class _____

Describe the applicant's best attributes? _____

In your opinion, would the applicant effectively meet the demands of Post-Secondary academics? _____

Why is this applicant deserving of the CONAH Scholarship? _____

Print Name:

Signature:

Date:



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RECOMMENDATION FORM, EXTRA-CURRICULAR/COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER

Please complete the recommendation form and return to the applicant in a sealed envelope to be included with their application. Answer all questions completely. Your accurate and honest appraisal of the applicant is critical to the scholarship award decision process. Avoid using the applicant's name in your written responses to assure anonymity in evaluating the application. Additional pages may be attached. **The referral cannot be a family member. **

Applicant Name: _____

Name of the organization/activity: _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

Describe the applicant's general attitude toward the organization/activity. _____

Describe the applicant's work ethic. _____

Describe the applicant's best attribute. _____

In your opinion, would the applicant effectively meet the demand of Post-Secondary academics? _____

Why is this applicant deserving of the CONAH Scholarship? _____

Print Name:

Signature:

Date: