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LOCAL 1505

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ATU 1505 is pleased to announce the

2023 Michael J. Siano Memorial Scholarship

Michael J. Siano, former International Executive Vice President, born and raised in Union City, NJ was a star athlete in Hudson County New Jersey. Following service in the U.S. Army, he joined ATU Local 821 in 1959 as a Bus Operator for Public Service Coordinated Transport and wanting to get more involved in his Local he became a shop steward in 1962. Siano was elected President Business Agent 10 years later. He was a fearless Negotiator and had a lifelong commitment to Civil Rights, devoting more than 50 years to ATU. He was elected International Vice President which he held for the next 7 conventions. He was then appointed International Executive V.P. in 2003 and was re-elected in 2004 and 2007, retiring July 31, 2009

The Scholarship program is offering 5 scholarships of $8,000.00 each and a $2,000.00 scholarship to be awarded to a technical or vocational school applicant

If a member's child is graduating from high school in the year 2023 you are eligible to apply.

If you want a copy of the Rules and Procedures – you can download them from our website www.atu1505.ca or email Gail Lamoureux support@atu1505.ca and you'll be emailed or mailed the 2023 Program guidelines

Best of luck to all who apply

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2023 ATU SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

In Memory Of: Michael J. Siano

Five $8,000.00 scholarships are awarded each year. A sixth $2,000.00 scholarship is available for award, to an applicant who will attend a technical or vocational post-secondary school. The competition is open to ATU members, their children, and grandchildren. All applicants must meet the eligibility requirements and satisfy these Rules and Procedures. For each scholarship winner, the ATU will deposit up to $8,000.00, with an accredited college or a technical or vocational post-secondary school, where the award winner will be attending.

RULES AND PROCEDURES

ELIGIBILITY

1. **Applicants must be either**:
   - a member of the ATU in good standing;
   - the child (whether natural or legally adopted) or stepchild of a member in good standing, or of a deceased member who was in good standing at the time of his or her death;
   - a grandchild (whether natural or legally adopted) of a member in good standing, or of a deceased member who was in good standing at the time of his or her death

2. **Applicants must be high school seniors** planning to enter college (or technical or vocational post-secondary school) ***for the first-time*** following graduation during the 2022 - 2023 school year, or previous high school graduates that have never attended college.

3. **ATU Scholarships are NOT available to the following persons**:
   - those who do not intend to work without interruption toward a bachelor's degree or graduation from a technical or vocational school,
   - those who are attending or have already attended college, technical or vocational school,
   - spouses of members,
   - ATU International Officers, International Representatives, staff, and other employees or their dependents, or
   - those who are fully funded for tuition, fees, and books from other sources.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Completed official application form

1. Official application forms can be obtained from any ATU local union, or contact **Kayla Warner**, at the ATU Scholarship Program Office, 10000 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20903, Tel: 301-431-7100 or email (kwarner@atu.org). You may also use the copy of the application published in our ***In Transit*** magazine or download a copy from our website. www.ATU.org.

2. Completed applications must be sent by first class mail to the ATU Scholarship Program Office at the above address. (email submissions are not accepted)

3. Applications must be:

POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2023

Applications postmarked after this date will not be accepted

4. Upon receipt of the application by the ATU Scholarship Program Office, applicants will receive the following materials by return mail:

    a. Scholarship questionnaire
    b. Bibliography of suggested references for the essay

SCHOLARSHIP QUESTIONNAIRE

Questionnaires will be mailed after the application has been received and approved

1. Applicants must sign the authorization statement for the release of the information requested in the Scholarship Questionnaire.

2. The form should then be presented for completion to the principal or guidance counselor of the school attended by the applicant.

3. Applicants are responsible for completing the questionnaire in its entirety and submitting all required information by the established deadlines.

4. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that the scholarship questionnaire is returned to the ATU Scholarship Program Office at:

    10000 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20903

POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MAY 15, 2023

ESSAY

1. Applicants are required to write an essay of no less than 500 words and no more than 750 words in English, French or Spanish, on the subject of:

"Organized Labor's Contribution
to the Welfare of the People of the United States"

For residents of the United States

or

"Organized Labour's Contribution
to the Welfare of the People of Canada"

For residents of Canada

NOTE: The essay will be evaluated on an analysis of the topic - the facts and arguments that are presented, as demonstrating that the student understands the topic, and the effectiveness of the essay in demonstrating how organized labor benefits everyone, whether they are union members or not. Grammar, style, organization, and presentation will also be evaluated.

2. Essays must be sent, preferably with the Scholarship Questionnaire, by first class mail, to the ATU Scholarship Program Office at:

10000 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20903

POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MAY 15, 2023

*******DEADLINES*********

All deadlines will be strictly enforced.
Any application which is incomplete or not postmarked on time, will not be considered

SELECTION OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The ATU International shall appoint a Selection Committee of community, academic, and labor leaders. No ATU officer, member, staff, or employee, shall participate in the final selection process.

Applicants will be judged on the basis of their scholastic record, involvement in community and extra-curricular activities, and the quality of the essay submitted.

The Committee shall select five academic scholarship winners and five alternates, and one technical or vocational scholarship winner and one alternate.

Decisions of the Committee shall be final.

If a recipient is disqualified due to a failure to fulfill all Scholarship Program requirements, the ATU Scholarship will be awarded to the next qualified alternate.

The recipient(s) will be notified by mail of their award and will also be given a form to complete to release the scholarship funds. Upon the return of the required information, a check will be issued to the university or vocational school in the appropriate amount. The award will be restricted to the payment of tuition, books, and associated fees.

Please Note: Only winners will be notified of the awards and a full list of winners will be posted in the 2023 Fall issue of the In Transit Magazine.

AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
OFFICIAL APPLICATION FORM - FALL 2023 TERM

Return completed application **POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2023,** to:

ATU Scholarship Program
Amalgamated Transit Union
10000 New Hampshire Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20903

Name of Applicant: Mr./Mrs./Miss/Ms. _____
(Circle Preferred) (First) (Middle) (Last)

Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State/Province, Zip/Postal Code)

Phone Number: _____

Name of Sponsoring ATU Member: _____

ATU Member's Local Union Number: _____

Relationship of applicant to ATU member: self ___ child ____ stepchild ___ grandchild_____

High School: _____ **Month & Year of Graduation:** _____

Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State/Province, Zip/Postal Code)

Name of Principal: _____

List in order of preference, the accredited colleges, technical or vocational institutions to which you are applying for admission (**no abbreviations**):

1)_____ 2)_____

3)_____

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the above information is true and correct.

_____
Applicant's Signature Date

We hope the recipients of this year's scholarships named in his honor, will use them in part to study union and community organizing and grow to fight injustices everywhere.

This year, the program will consist of **five scholarships each in the amount of $8,000.00**. In addition, a **$2,000.00**, scholarship may be awarded to a technical or vocational school applicant.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the distribution of this information to you all by mail is later than normal. As a result, we are extending the deadline for applicants to submit their applications to April 1, 2023.

Please make this information available to your members by duplicating these forms. Should you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Enclosure