



ATTENTION NEW YORK SWANA CHAPTER MEMBERS SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS



Announcement - 2012 Awards

In an effort to promote education and professional development to SWANA members and their families, the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) has established the Grant H. Flint Scholarship Awards Program. Scholarships/Grants are available at the local SWANA level for all award Categories and at the national SWANA level for Categories I, II and III. In the past years, Scholarship/Grants at the local level have exceeded \$5,000 and National SWANA, has identified \$20,000 in potential awards for 2012. In addition, SWANA New York Chapter is expanding funding for the scholarship program to include private company sponsorship.

Applications will be accepted until May 1, 2012 and award(s) will be announced by June 1, 2012. Candidates selected for awards will be contacted directly by the Scholarship Committee, and the award(s) will be announced in a future SWANA newsletter.

Awards are determined based on a review of the SWANA New York Chapter Scholarship Committee. Awards are based on the overall achievements of the individual candidate, and not solely on academic performance. Awards are offered in the following four categories:

- Category I – Category I is for students **entering their first year of college**. The major selected by the applicant does not need to be focused on the sciences, engineering, or related environmental field. Eligible candidates include relatives of SWANA members or residents of New York State; preference will be given to relatives of SWANA members.
- Category IA – Category IA is for entering college **sophomores**. Eligible candidates include relatives of New York SWANA Chapter members or residents of New York State; preference will be given to relatives of SWANA members, and to candidates matriculating in a major focused on sciences, engineering, public policy, or other related environmental field.
- Category II – Category II is for entering college **juniors or seniors** matriculating in a major focused on sciences, engineering, public policy, or other related environmental field. Eligible candidates include relatives of New York SWANA Chapter members or residents of New York State; preference will be given to relatives of SWANA members and candidates matriculating in a field associated with the management of solid waste.
- Category III – Category III is for students enrolled in a **graduate school program** focused on the sciences, engineering, public policy, or related environmental field. Eligible candidates include relatives of New York SWANA Chapter members or residents of New York State; preference will be given to relatives of New York SWANA Chapter members and candidates matriculating in a field associated with the management of solid waste.
- Category IV - Category IV is for New York SWANA Chapter members who are pursuing educational opportunities, training or professional development. Eligible candidates include members of the New York SWANA Chapter; preference will be given to those matriculating toward a degree; and to coursework, training or professional development in an environmental related field, including public policy.

Application Form

Candidates in **Category I, II, or III** should use the national SWANA application forms and instructions found at www.swana.org. Candidates in **Category IA or IV** will not be eligible for participation in the national SWANA program and therefore should use the attached simplified application form and submittal guidelines.

To be considered please complete the appropriate application form, attach information required for the Category applied for, and send the package, with a cover letter, to:

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**2012 New York SWANA Chapter
Scholarship/Financial Assistance Grant Program**

Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number/E-mail: _____

SWANA Member Sponsor: _____

Sponsor's Relationship to Applicant: _____

Scholarship/Financial Assistance Grant Category: **IA** **IV**

Signature of Applicant: _____

Signature of Sponsor: _____

The application form should be transmitted with a cover letter that includes the information requested below for the category being applied for along with a brief discussion of why you believe you should receive an award. The referenced essay should be attached.

Category IA Applicants –

- Name of College and/or University
- Major
- Transcripts from Freshman year
- Essay: Your views on solid waste management; what it is; who participates; what are the current issues facing the profession; and your thoughts on the future direction.

Category IV Applicants –

- Name of Course, Training, Professional Development Activity
- Institution, Organization, College or University offering activity
- If matriculating to a degree: What degree, major of study, courses completed, and present GPA; and Credit hours being pursued in fall 2012/spring 2013
- If not matriculating to a degree: What is the purpose of the training or professional development; and number of professional development hours or certification that will be received.
- Employer contribution toward your continuing education and balance not covered by employer
- Essay (one page max): How will this course work, training, and or professional development assist you in advancing your career; and what is its applicability to the solid waste profession.