**CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER OF NIGP**

**YOUNG PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**Our Mission Statement:**

The Central Florida Chapter of NIGP (CFC-NIGP) works to promote and support the professional development of its diverse membership and strives to maintain the highest standard of ethics, integrity, public trust and awareness in the public procurement profession.

**Scholarship Program:**

The intent of this scholarship program is to motivate young professionals to consider a career in Public Procurement. To this end, this scholarship program will award two (2) applicants with scholarships in the amount of $1,000 each to be applied toward an Undergraduate degree in Public Administration, Business Administration or a related field.

In order for your application to be considered, the following information and criteria must be completed.

**Required Information/Criteria for Scholarship:**

* Student shall be enrolled as a High School Junior/Senior OR Full/Part-Time College Student at the time of application submittal. Student shall demonstrate this by submittal of a current transcript demonstrating a minimum 3.0 GPA
* Student shall provide a Florida State Identification demonstrating residence in one of the following (11) Counties: Alachua, Brevard, Citrus, Flagler, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Polk, Seminole, Sumter or Volusia. At the time of application applicant must be age thirty-five (35) or younger.
* Proof of CFC-NIGP Membership. To apply for Membership (Student Membership is available free of cost) visit <https://www.cfcnigp.org/insidepages/members.cfm>.
* Student shall include an essay on the following topic “A career in Public Procurement, what is it and is it for me?” Essays shall be a minimum of five-hundred (500) words. CFC-NIGP reserves the right to publish and reproduce this essay for an indefinite period of time without any compensation or royalties to the applicant.
* A letter of recommendation from a teacher, guidance counselor, employer (professional reference) or a reference from community volunteering activities demonstrating an endorsement for this scholarship.
* Application, essay and endorsement must be submitted electronically by October 1, 2015 to the following address:

Central Florida Chapter of NIGP – Young Professional Outreach Committee

president@cfcnigp.org

* Selected candidates will be notified by November 1, 2015. To maintain eligibility selected candidates and are required to attend the December 4, 2015 CFC-NIGP Chapter Meeting held in Orlando, Florida, where they will be recognized as the Awardees. Students may request an excused absence if they are not permitted to attend during school hours, however, these students will be required to submit a video acceptance (via: youtube or vimeo) to president@cfcnigp.org.

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Scholarship applications will be reviewed by a panel of CFC-NIGP Committee members selected to serve on a Scholarship Review/Selection Committee. Upon Award, at the request of the Awardee, Scholarship funds will be mailed to the College or University specified in this application after documents of enrollment verification are submitted to CFC-NIGP Treasurer at treasurer@cfcnigp.org.

**Biographical Information**

Name: (First) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Middle) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Academic Data** ⬜ High School Junior/ Senior ⬜ Full-time/Part-time College Student

 School Name and Location: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Honors/Awards/Activities:

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College Attending/ Plan on Attending: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Community/Civic Involvement**

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**I certify that the statements I have provided are true and accurate. I understand the award shall be used by December 31, 2016 or shall revert to the Association’s Scholarship Fund.**

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/ Guardian Signature (If Applicant Is Under Age 18) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Full Name & Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_