



WSEMA

Washington State Emergency Management Association

WASHINGTON STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT **JOEL AGGERGAARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Joel Aggergaard began working for the Washington State Department of Emergency Management in 1970's and served until his untimely death in 1996. He thoroughly enjoyed his career with Emergency Management, and his "heart" was with supporting local Emergency Management Programs. It may be necessary to be a local emergency manager to fully appreciate the enormous contribution Joel made to local programs during the years he worked with emergency management. If you have been stressed to the point there is not one additional free minute in your day, but you need to get an issue clarified with State Department of Emergency Management and it must be taken care of today ...then... you will begin to understand. A phone call placed to Joel reached someone who was not only usually familiar with the issue but also very interested. The issues either became resolved or a commitment was made from Joel to follow-up for resolution.

Joel was commended for his extraordinary work with emergency management and named the "most helpful" state official by local, county and city emergency managers across Washington State. Joel assisted with countless floods, storms and local emergencies, and was a welcome addition to any activated Emergency Operating Center during a disaster.

Joel was also an avid supporter of youth and their activities. Because of his selfless support and commitment to local emergency management directors, WSEMA has chosen to provide an educational scholarship commemorating Joel in the hope that others who possess his worthy qualities and have a personal dedication to achievement may have expanded opportunities.

***Washington State Emergency Management
Joel Aggergaard Memorial Scholarship Application***

INSTRUCTIONS

This \$2,500.00 scholarship is awarded to students pursuing a certificate, diploma, baccalaureate, or graduate degree in emergency management or a closely related field. The scholarship award will be directly paid to the college.

All applicants must be residents of Washington State and attending a college or university in the State of Washington having completed one academic term (quarter or semester) prior to the scholarship application period.

Applicants please read this application carefully and follow directions completely. This application must be received complete with all pages attached and sections completed. Incomplete applications will be disqualified.

All applicants must include two letters of recommendation from a teacher, former or present employer, or anyone of your choice other than a relative or a parent.

Applicant must include a current academic history, verifying enrollment and good academic standing.

ESSAY QUESTIONS:

Please choose **one** of the following essay statements and write a response in 500 words or less. Essay must be typed and submitted on a separate piece of paper. The Essay will be judged on grammar, neatness in appearance and content.

- 1. Describe a person who has influenced you the most to choose a degree in Emergency Management or related field and what you learned from him/her that will help you become a successful person.***
- 2. What contribution do you believe that you will bring to the field of Emergency Management and how?***
- 3. Reflect on why you are choosing to pursue a career in Emergency Management or related field.***

Deadline for applications will be **June 1, 2009** Completed applications are to be mailed to the address given below in a sealed envelope, clearly stating your name on the envelope. For questions regarding the scholarship please contact JoAnn Boggs, Pend Oreille County Department of Emergency Management at (509) 447-3731 or jboggs@pendoreille.org

**WSEMA, Scholarship
C/O JoAnn Boggs, Director
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Application available on our Website at www.wsema.org

DESCRIBE YOUR CURRENT AND PAST INVOLVEMENT IN THE COMMUNITY, SCHOOL, WORK, AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT RELATED ACTIVITIES. (**Attach additional pages if necessary**)

I attest that all the information included in this application is correct.

Signature _____