

East Bay Community Foundation Thomas J. Sweeney Scholarship Fund

The EBCF-Thomas J. Sweeney Scholarship Fund was established to honor the memory and contributions of a great labor leader of the IBEW Local 595. Tom Sweeney was the Business Manager/Financial Secretary of Local 595 for 28 years, and under his leadership Local 595 established pension programs and health and welfare benefit programs that are the model for many Labor Unions today. Tom's lifelong work for the IBEW and Local 595 left a legacy of accomplishment that is deeply appreciated by all who knew him.

For the 2008, there will be 20 grants of \$500 each awarded to successful applicants. Ten of these grants will be for graduating high school students who have been accepted at a college or university, and ten grants will be for students currently enrolled in a secondary educational institution, including a California state-approved apprenticeship program.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Member or dependent of a member of IBEW Local 595 accepted and/or enrolled in a post-secondary educational institution, including a state-approved apprenticeship program.
2. Possess a 3.5 GPA or an academic average of 95% or higher.
3. If enrolled in an apprenticeship program, a cumulative on-the-job evaluation of 90% or higher in addition to an academic average of 95% or higher.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

- (1) School administrator or teacher recommendation.
- (2) Acceptance to a college or university; or current enrollment in a post-secondary educational institution.
- (3) Membership or dependent status of the IBEW Local 595.
- (4) The 2008 financial grants will go to applicants with the highest cumulative academic reports.

This application and the required attachments must be complete and postmarked on or before May 31, 2008. A selection committee will review the applications. The East Bay Community Foundation will notify the recipients on or before July 1, 2008.

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

- Completed Thomas J. Sweeney Scholarship Application Form (attached).
- Letter of recommendation from a school administrator or teacher.
- Letter of acceptance from college or university; or proof of current enrollment in a post-secondary educational institution.
- Letter from IBEW Local 595 attesting to membership or dependent status.
- High School transcript or current post-secondary educational transcript.

Return you completed application to:

East Bay Community Foundation
Thomas J. Sweeney Scholarship Fund
200 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza
Oakland, CA 94612

Direct questions to: Scholarship Administrator, 510/836-3223

Thomas J. Sweeney Scholarship Application

Applicant Background

Name _____ Soc. Sec. No. _____ - _____ - _____

Address _____

Telephone () _____ - _____ Cell phone () _____ - _____

Email _____ Date of Birth _____ - _____ - _____

High School _____ Graduation Date _____

Name of Principal _____ School phone () _____ - _____

Name of College/University you will attend _____

Or name of current post-secondary school _____

Address _____

Scholastic Record

Attach an official school transcript, with the raised school seal imprinted, of your complete high school record through the first half of the present year. including a cumulative grade point average. If currently enrolled in a post-secondary educational institution, include a bona fide school record through the first half of the present year.

Parent or Guardian Background

Name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____

Phone Number () _____ - _____

Name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____

Phone Number () _____ - _____

IBEW Local 595

(Check the following that applies)

_____ I am a member in good standing of IBEW Local 595

_____ My parent or legal guardian, _____, is a member in good standing of IBEW Local 595.

Applicant Certification

I certify that all information contained in this application is accurate.

signature

date