**THE GORDON MOSELEY RISING STAR**

**SCHOLARSHIP**

ERICSA has established a minimum of two

Gordon Moseley Rising Star Scholarships to help ensure dedicated child support enforcement workers are able to attend the annual ERICSA training conference for each year. The purpose of these scholarships is to help expand knowledge of the child support program and to promote professional development. One scholarship will be awarded to a child support worker in the state hosting the conference, and the other to an out-of-state applicant. This year’s annual ERICSA Training Conference will be held at the Astor Crowne Plaza New Orleans French Quarter in New Orleans, LA, from May 22-26, 2022.

***History***

The Rising Star Scholarship was championed by our dear friend and former ERICSA President, Gordon Moseley, whom we tragically lost in May 2008. The scholarship fund was subsequently renamed in his memory. ERICSA hopes that each year it may honor Gordon’s legacy by sending as many deserving scholarship recipients to the annual training conference as possible.

***Eligible Applicants***

* Applicants must attest that they have never attended and ERICSA Conference.
* Their supervisor must attest that, should they be awarded the scholarship, they will be able to attend.
* Applicants agree to allow use of their photographic image in future ERICSA publications, including but not limited to the conference brochures.
* Applicants must agree to write a brief article about their experience at the ERICSA conference for inclusion in future ERICSA newsletters.
* Applicants must be currently employed with the Title IV-D child support enforcement program. This includes state, county, tribal and contract staff.

***Scholarship***

The scholarships include the following:

* Conference registration
* Hotel for Sunday through Wednesday nights of the conference
* $120 stipend for the conference
* Travel will be arranged by the attendee and reimbursed by ERICSA up to $500

Two scholarships will be awarded this year. One scholarship will be awarded to applicants from within the conference host state (i.e. Louisiana) and the other to an applicant outside the host state.

***Selection Process***

Applicants may download the scholarship information from the website <https://ericsa.org>, and email their application to the Scholarship Committee at

terryo’halloran@pacses.com no later than April 1, 2022. The winning honorees will be notified no later than April 8, 2022.

**The Gordon Moseley Rising Star Scholarship Application**

**Scholarship Requirements:** I understand that to be eligible for this scholarship, I must be currently employed in a Title IV-D and/or tribal child support program as a front-line staff, and have never attended

an ERICSA Annual Training Conference. Submission of this application certifies that I meet each of these requirements. I understand that the scholarship covers the following: conference registration, hotel room for four nights beginning Sunday, May 22, 2022, $120 toward meal expenses and reimbursement of travel costs up to $500. I agree to allow my photographic image to be used in future ERICSA publications,

including but not limited to the newsletter and conference brochures. I also agree that I will write a brief article for a future ERICSA newsletter about my experience at the conference. Please answer the following questions:

**(Please keep in mind that you are competing for a scholarship and will be evaluated against many other applicants. Use additional sheets as necessary.)**

**How long have you worked in the child support program?**

**Briefly describe you daily job duties:**

**How will attending the ERICSA conference benefit you?**

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**What are the topic areas that you would most like to learn about the conference, and why?**

**By submitting this application for consideration, I certify that I understand and accept the requirements for the scholarship outlined above and that I have my supervisor’s approval to attend the ERICSA’s 59th Annual Training Conference in New Orleans, LA, May 22 – 26, 2022, if awarded this scholarship.**

**Applicant’s Electronic Signature: (type your name in this space**

**Name:**

**Title:**

**Organization**

**Mailing Address:**

**Phone Number:**

**Email Address:**

**Supervisor’s Name:**

**Title:**

**Supervisor’s Address:**

**Supervisor’s Phone Number:**

**Supervisor’s Email Address:**

By completing and submitting this form, you are indicating that you understand and accept the requirements for the scholarship outlined above. Please email this application no later than April 1, 2022, to:

 Terence O’Halloran at TerryO’Halloran@PACSES.com

Timely applications will be determined once received.