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Ruby A. Brown Memorial Scholarship 2010 Guidelines & Application

The Ruby A. Brown Scholarship was established in memory of Ruby A. Brown, who served the East Tennessee region for 25 years as a public health nurse. Ruby did not limit her service solely to her career. She was also active in her church and other organizations such as the Red Cross, American Nurses Association, WIC Pioneers, Extension Homemakers Club and the Lions Club.

This scholarship is to benefit, and preference will be given to, current public health nurses seeking to continue their nursing education. It is also open to public health nursing students pursuing a career in **public health**. This one-year (2-semester) scholarship is intended to cover educational expenses – **up to \$3000** – and will serve to recognize a current public health nurse who embodies the quality of serving others as exhibited in Ruby's life.

The scholarship is administered through East Tennessee Foundation (ETF), a community foundation serving 25 counties in East Tennessee.

GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA

1. The applicant must be a **currently-employed public health nurse** (*or a public health nursing student*).
2. The applicant must be a resident in one of 15 counties (Anderson, Blount, Campbell, Claiborne, Cocke, Grainger, Hamblen, Jefferson, Loudon, Monroe, Morgan, Roane, Scott, Sevier, or Union).
3. The applicant may pursue education at any accredited, not-for-profit nursing program on a full- or part-time basis.
4. Scholarship funds will support tuition, books, fees and other educational costs.
5. The scholarship is open to current and former recipients. *Former recipients must re-apply each year.*

One alternate will be selected in the event the selected recipient will not be able to use the scholarship.

Please note: You will need to send five (5) copies of the application and attachments, plus the originals. No staples please.

SELECTION PROCESS

All applicants will be reviewed by the scholarship committee. Selection of recipient and alternate will be based upon current level of education, additional training being pursued, length of employment, current county of employment, financial need, and grade point average (for those re-applying). The Scholarship Selection Committee will be comprised of: 1) Director of Nursing, 2) Maternal and Child Health Nursing Consultant, and 3) Communicable Disease Nursing Consultant of the East Tennessee Region, State of TN Public Health Department. East Tennessee Foundation does not discriminate on the grounds of disability, age, race, color, religion, sex, ethnic origin, or any other classification protected by Federal and /or Tennessee state constitutional and/or statutory law. All scholarships are awarded in accordance with East Tennessee Foundation scholarship policies. Only completed applications will be considered.

**Completed applications must be received by
East Tennessee Foundation or postmarked no later than
Friday, April 23, 2010.**

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Ruby A. Brown Memorial Scholarship 2010 Application Form

Name: _____

Complete Address: _____

_____ County: _____

If awarded a scholarship, you will be asked for your Social Security number. Do you have one? Yes ___ No ___

Telephone #: _____ Cell #: _____

Email address: _____

Please check: ___ I am a current public health nurse. *or* ___ I am a public health nursing student.

NOTE: **Current public health nurses** should attach letters of reference from 1) first line supervisor, and 2) County director of health department. **Public health nursing students** should attach two letters of reference from: current or former employers, or community leaders.

Current Employer: _____

Current Position: _____

Current level of nursing training: _____

Additional education that you are pursuing: _____

Have you applied to the Ruby A. Brown Memorial Scholarship before? No Yes _____(year)

Briefly outline or describe your plans to use this additional nursing education/training (*Use back of sheet for additional space*):

I verify that all information provided to the scholarship selection committee is accurate.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Application packets are non-returnable and become property of ETF upon receipt.

Mail five (5) copies, plus the originals (No staples please) to:

Ruby A. Brown Memorial Scholarship Fund
c/o East Tennessee Foundation
Attn: Beth Heller, Scholarship and Program Associate
625 Market St., Suite 1400
Knoxville, TN 37902
(865) 524-1223, toll-free: (877) 524-1223

**All completed application forms with two reference letters attached
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