

# What is the Friends of 440 Scholarship Fund, Inc.?



The friends of 440 Scholarship Fund, Inc., is a non-profit organization comprised of attorneys, doctors, insurance adjusters, judges of compensation claims, administrators, rehabilitation providers and others whose primary employment is connected with the Florida Workers' Compensation Act, and who donate their time and energy to promote social, educational and charitable causes connected with the Workers' Compensation system in Florida including the award of scholarships.

The Treasure Coast Division includes Brevard, Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin, Okeechobee and Palm Beach Counties.

The primary functions of this organization is the award of scholarships to students who are dependents or descendants of workers who were injured in the course and scope of their employment and who, therefore, receive benefits under the Florida Workers'

Compensation system and/or dependents or descendants of those primarily engaged in the administration of the Florida Workers' Compensation law.

*High School Applicants must have a 2.7 GPA and college applicants must have a 3.0 GPA to apply. All students must take 12 credit hours per semester and maintain a 3.0 GPA for renewals. The scholarship is not available for students attending graduate school.*

The number of Scholarships awarded each year is directly related to the amount of funds available. Therefore, fundraising is an important activity for this non-profit corporation. Various fundraising projects are undertaken each year including Golf Tournaments, Surf Contests, Theater Nights, and Dances. In addition, Corporate and individual donations are welcomed and are tax-deductible.



# What does the name of this Scholarship Fund Mean?

The name of the organization was adopted from the Florida Workers' Compensation Law, Chapter 440, Florida Statutes.

# Where can I find an application?

Applications should be available at the location where you found this brochure and at the guidance office of every high school in the Treasure Coast and Palm Beach area. If you are unable to get an application, please contact Dr. Gregory Harris, Ph.D., at 321-258-5362 or (Acmsgroup@AOL.com) for Brevard, Indian River, St. Lucie and Okeechobee counties and Phil Thompson, of Thompson & Thomas, P.A., at 561-651-4150 or (pthompson@TNTlegal.com) for Palm Beach County.

You can also go to our State website: <http://www.440scholarship.org> for more information regarding the scholarship as well as the necessary supporting documentation required with the application.

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To aid dependents or descendants of workers who are injured in the course and scope of their employment and who receive benefits under the Florida Workers' Compensation Law and who reside or whose accident occurred in Brevard, Indian River, St. Lucie, Okeechobee, Martin, or Palm Beach Counties.

In addition, dependents or descendants of individuals who primarily engage in the operation and/or administration of the Florida Workers' Compensation Law are eligible to receive this scholarship.

This scholarship is intended to aid students who lack the economic ability to continue education beyond high school or to further their college education. The amount of the award is variable and may be up to \$6,000.00 per year to cover tuition, books, room and board.

***Completed application must be submitted prior to February 28<sup>th</sup> of the year the scholarship is to be awarded. The scholarship will be awarded by June 15<sup>th</sup> of the same year.***

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# Scholarships!

You or a family member may be eligible for a Scholarship given by the Friends of 440 Scholarship Fund, Treasure Coast Division.



**See inside this brochure for details and ask for an Application!**