

# LAKE TRUST CREDIT UNION

## 2019 NEW BEGINNINGS SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

### SCHOLARSHIP PURPOSE

There's a shortage of skilled trade workers in Michigan and we want to help revitalize these career paths. If you're interested in pursuing a career in a trade by attending a career technical education program, we want to help you get a fresh start!

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Applicant must be a Michigan resident and a Lake Trust Credit Union member or eligible for Lake Trust Credit Union membership.
- Scholarship recipients must plan on attending a career technical education program or trade school in the next 12 months.
- Scholarship recipients must be a member in good standing at Lake Trust Credit Union at the time scholarship is awarded.
- Immediate family members (spouse, parents, step-parents, siblings, step-siblings, children, and step-children) of Lake Trust Credit Union employees and board members are not eligible to apply.

### AWARDS

- Up to four (4) scholarships worth up to a maximum of \$2,500 each will be awarded.
- Scholarship funds can be used for tuition costs, equipment for your trade, professional dues and/or certifications. (Tuition statements and/or receipts must be submitted to Lake Trust Credit Union before scholarship funds will be disbursed.)

### APPLICATION DEADLINE

- Application and all supporting materials must be submitted online by 11:59pm on **FEBRUARY 17, 2019**.
- Failure to submit materials on time, incomplete submissions, or failure to adhere to application guidelines or rules of eligibility will result in disqualification of your application.

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- APPLICATION: A completed [Lake Trust 2019 New Beginnings Scholarship Application](#). (Note: You may save and return to your application at any time prior to the submission deadline.)
- ESSAY: Three essays, 600 words or less each. (See application for specific questions.) Essay topics include:
  - What is your career path and why have you chosen this specific skilled trade or vocation?
  - How will this scholarship make a difference in your life?
  - Choose an industry leader/mentor and define how they have positively influenced you.
- REFERENCE: Reference Letter (1 page or less in length), authored by a non-family member detailing why you would be a good choice for the Lake Trust Credit Union New Beginnings Scholarship.

### AWARD NOTIFICATION

- Scholarship winners will be notified in **MARCH 2019**. Alternate winner(s) will be selected in the event the winner of the scholarship loses his/her eligibility.
- As a condition of acceptance, scholarship winners will be asked to sign a Lake Trust Credit Union media release form for the purpose of publication, advertisement and announcement of the scholarship award.
- Scholarship winners may be required to attend a Scholarship Award Celebration (location and time to be announced) hosted by Lake Trust Credit Union.

### QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions, please contact Lake Trust Credit Union's Foundation & Community Engagement Manager, Mikayla Farhat-Tomaszewski at 888-267-7204 or [MFarhat-Tomaszewski@Laketrust.org](mailto:MFarhat-Tomaszewski@Laketrust.org).

