

## 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 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 Marriott Savannah Riverfront in Savannah, GA from May 17 - 21, 2020.

### ***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 an 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 total 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. Georgia), and the other to an applicant outside of the host state.

### ***Selection Process***

Applicants may download the scholarship information from the website <https://ericsa.org>, and submit their application to Terence O'Halloran received no later than **March 27, 2020**. The Scholarship Committee will review the applications and make recommendations to the Executive Board for approval no later than **April 6, 2020**. The Executive Board will approve the scholarship honorees no later than **April 8**. The Committee Chair will notify the honorees no later than **April 10**. Dates will be adjusted each year to allow the honorees at least five weeks to make travel arrangements prior to the conference.

## **The Gordon Moseley Rising Star Scholarship**

**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 17, 2020, \$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 experiences 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 your 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 at 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 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Training Conference in Savannah, GA, May 17 – 21, 2020 if awarded this scholarship.**

**Applicant's Electronic Signature: (type your name in the 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 March 27, 2020 to:

Terence O'Halloran at [TerryO'Halloran@PACSES.com](mailto:TerryO'Halloran@PACSES.com)

Timely applications will be determined once received.