

"Overcomer" Scholarship Announcement

To promote participation in the prevention of drugs and alcohol use and to encourage civic involvement, the Agency for Substance Abuse Policy (ASAP) Board of Anderson County is offering **two \$2,000 scholarships** to qualified senior candidates from high schools and/or non-traditional college or vocational students, who are residents of Anderson County.

One scholarship award will be given to a female student and one to a male student. These scholarship awards will be presented to students who have faced and overcome obstacles related to drug use and/or addiction in her/his family or personal life.

Award recipients will be selected using the following criteria:

- 1. Applicants may apply who are either meeting requirements for current school year graduation from a high school located in Anderson County **or** be enrolled as a non-traditional student in college or vocational school.
- 2. Scholarship award will be in the amount of \$2,000 and will be paid to an institution of higher learning. (Scholarships will depend upon ASAP funds being made available through the Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy).
- 3. For graduating high school students, an ASAP scholarship application form and a high school transcript or equivalency is required. Application forms can be obtained from Anderson County High School guidance counselors.
- 4. For non-traditional college or vocational school students, an ASAP scholarship application form and a school transcript is required. Application forms can be obtained from Anderson Community Education Office or by contacting the ASAP Board Coordinator.
- 5. An essay is required from every applicant on her/his experience(s) with overcoming obstacles related to drug use and/or addiction in family or personal life.
- 6. One letter of recommendation from a non-relative adult, whom can verify skills and activities set forth in the application, is required with an

- application. Examples: adult mentor, teacher, coach, pastor, or supervisor/employer.
- 7. Selection of the two scholarship winners will be based on combination of factors including: academic achievement, potential for higher education success, community activities, and essay quality.
- 8. In all matters, the Scholarship Committee shall have final discretion in interpretation of guidelines for selecting and awarding of scholarships.

<u>Instructions and technical requirements for writing essay & submitting application:</u>

Write a one (1) page essay on the topic "Overcoming Obstacles from Use or Addiction of Alcohol and/or Drugs"

Essay should address each of the following questions:

- What challenge(s) have you faced or dealt with related to drug or alcohol use or addiction by a family member or yourself?
- How were you able to overcome the challenge(s)/obstacle(s)?
- How will you use that life experience(s) to positively impact the lives of others suffering from drug or alcohol use or addiction?

Technical Requirements for Essay:

- Must be typed
- ➤ 1 page with approximately 200 words
- > 12 point font
- > 1.5 inch space between lines
- ▶ 1 inch margins on all sides

Application and essay are due no later than March 31, 2017.

Please return completed application and essay to:

Anderson County ASAP Board P. O. Box 152 Lawrenceburg, KY 40342