



**American Business Women's Association  
Greater Oakland Charter Chapter  
Clarkston, Michigan**

The Greater Oakland Charter Chapter, ABWA is looking for eligible applicants to sponsor for consideration of a \$2,000 Impact Scholarship from the Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund of the American Business Women's Association. The Impact Scholarship Program offers college students attending a 4 year accredited college or university a scholarship that helps to offset costs associated with their college tuition, books and fees.

**Applicant Eligibility Requirements:**

- The applicant must be a female and a U.S. citizen.
- ABWA members and non-members may apply for an Impact scholarship.
- The applicant's primary (home) residence must be in Oakland, Macomb, and Genesee or Lapeer counties in Michigan.
- The applicant must have achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale.
- The applicant must be seeking a baccalaureate degree or higher.
- The applicant must be a college freshman, sophomore, junior, senior or graduate student by 8/1/17.
- Applicant must be attending an institution authorized to confer degrees at the baccalaureate level or higher in the US.
- The applicant must provide an official transcript, a biographical sketch and three (3) professional letters of reference dated in the same year as her application.
- Applicant must complete the SBMEF online application on or before 3/15/17.
- A minimum of three (3) eligible completed applications are required in order for the scholarship to be awarded. Scholarship recipient will be notified in May, 2017

**Procedures/Checklist:**

Eligible applicants, please send an email with "ABWA Impact Scholarship" and your name in the subject line. To be considered, include all of the following information in the body of your email:

Your name, email address, phone number, mailing address, and county of residence, GPA, credit hours completed and name of the school you will be attending in the fall of 2017.

**Send email to:**

[education@abwa-greateroakland.org](mailto:education@abwa-greateroakland.org)

We will contact you with information on how to submit the remaining required documents to us.

**Additional Information:**

Each scholarship awarded is for one academic year only and is not renewable. Funds awarded may be used for tuition, books and fees. Unused funds must be returned to SBMEF.

Checks for grants awarded are made payable to the educational institution and the applicant jointly. Checks must be cashed within 6 months of issuance.

No applicant is guaranteed a scholarship. Our chapter will sponsor applicants for consideration by the SBMEF Board of trustees. The SBMEF Board of Trustees serves as the selection board for awarding all scholarships.