



KATHLEEN MANSFIELD CITY MANAGEMENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP – Graduate Level

In the interest of promoting the city management profession and to encourage educational pursuits leading to professional city management careers, the Missouri City/County Managers Association (MCMA) proposes to establish an annual scholarship program for three (3) deserving Missouri graduate students pursuing a Master's of Public Administration (MPA) degree.

The Scholarship is proposed to bear the name of Kathleen Mansfield, a dedicated city management professional whose ideals, motivation and good character inspired everyone who came into contact with her, especially her peers. She died on July 8, 2004, from complications of scleroderma, a rare arthritic disease at an all too early age. As stated on a website dedicated to her memory:

"Kathleen loved being in local city government and most importantly loved sharing the profession with school kids and graduate students who wanted to follow her into her noble (but often misunderstood) profession. She was usually the first to invite new professionals into the "old boys club" and to welcome them into their professional associations. She also knew that through outreach and diversity, her chosen profession would be stronger than ever." Reference from <http://kathyreport.blogspot.com>.

It is MCMA's intent to reach out, as Kathleen did, to create an awareness of the profession and stimulate an interest in graduate students who might be motivated to choose local government service as a career.

The Association will provide \$500.00 scholarships for three Missouri residents seeking a Master's of Public Administration (MPA degree to prepare for a career in city management.) These scholarships are to be used for college expenses such as cost of tuition, fees, room and board, or books and supplies.

All applications will be reviewed by the MCMA Board or by such committee as may be selected by the Board. This committee will be responsible for selecting scholarship recipients and approving scholarship renewals.

The MCMA board will share Scholarship details and application forms with the appropriate college counselors or professors of colleges and universities hosting accredited MPA degree programs. A completed application shall require an endorsement from a local MCMA member within the community nearest the applicant's residence. This gives the MCMA member an opportunity to represent and promote their profession within their community and to create an awareness of the city management profession.

The successful recipient shall provide to the MCMA Scholarship Committee proof of registration in a college or university. Payment of the scholarship amount will be by the MCMA directly to the college or university in the name of the successful recipient.

Application deadline is May 31 of each calendar year. Applicants will be notified by July 1.

Scholarship Criteria

1. Student must be a resident of the state of Missouri.
2. Student must express a desire to pursue a field of study and subsequently a career in local government service.
3. Student must be (or will be) a graduate of a four-year college or university.
4. Student must have a minimum GPA of 3.0.
5. Student must demonstrate a propensity toward the public service profession by involvement in community service activities, participation in social and service organizations etc.
6. Financial need will be considered.



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2016 APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP**

Student Personal Data

Name: _____ Social Security No.: _____

Address: _____ Telephone No.: _____

City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Full Name and Address of Parents or Guardians:

Father

Mother

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Occupation: _____

Educational Information

Currently enrolled at: _____

Where do you plan to attend college? _____

Have you applied for admission? Y / N

Have you been accepted? Y / N

What is your cumulative grade point average? _____

Local Government Service

Please explain your interest in Local Government Service. Provide a brief description of your exposure to the city management profession and explain your interests in following a course of study and career in city management.

Activities/Organizations

Please list activities/organizations in school and outside of school. Indicate offices held and accomplishments while in office.

Honors/Awards

Please list all honors/awards received in school and outside of school.

Work Experience

Please list any paid work experience. Provide brief description of work duties performed.

Community Service

Please list any community service experience. Provide brief description and hours spent.

We hereby approve of the use of this application and of school record information by the Missouri City/County Management Association's Committee in the evaluation of the scholarship candidates.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Mail to: MCMA Scholarship, 1727 Southridge Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65109 **Phone:** 573-635-9134