

community development partnership

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What: Community Development Partnership Offers Scholarship to Students Pursuing Community Development

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Community Development Partnership announces scholarship for students considering a career in community development

Continuing our commitment to support the year-round community, the Community Development Partnership (CDP) has established a scholarship to be awarded to one graduating senior at Nauset High School.

This \$1000 scholarship will be awarded to a student who intends to further their education at a two or four-year institution with an interest or course of study in community development. Students who reside in Brewster, Chatham, Eastham, Harwich, Orleans, Provincetown, Truro or Wellfleet, the towns served by the CDP, are encouraged to apply.

"For nearly three decades, the CDP has been working to build stronger year-round communities on the Lower Cape and create opportunities for low- to moderate-income residents." says Jay Coburn, CEO of the CDP. "Quite frankly we need to nurture a new generation of leaders who are committed to addressing some of our region's most vexing problems such a housing affordability and year-round jobs. Awarding a scholarship will help support young leaders and call attention to the opportunities available in the field of community development."

The recipient must be a full time first year student, with an interest or intended course of study in community development, defined as creating housing that is affordable, supporting entrepreneurs in developing businesses and serving the needs of LMI (low to moderate income) individuals. Academic performance and extracurricular activities, particularly activities that include advocating for affordable housing and services to LMI individuals, will be considered by the committee.

Submission deadline is April 1 and students must submit a cover letter, transcripts and two letters of recommendation. The cover letter should explain the applicant's academic goals and interests in their intended field of study and why the student should be the recipient of this award.

Please submit all required materials to: Community Development Partnership, 3 Main Street Mercantile, Unit 7, Eastham, MA 02642, Attn: Scholarship Committee.

This is the first year that the Community Development Partnership has offered this scholarship and hopes that it encourages students to consider a career in the growing field of community development.

ABOUT THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP

The Community Development Partnership leads the Lower Cape in building a diverse yearround community of people who can afford to live, work and thrive here.

Our work starts with creating affordable homes—so essential to a healthy economy, but a real challenge in communities like ours where seasonal and vacation dynamics drive the market beyond the reach of many who live and work locally all year round.

We also work to launch entrepreneurs and strengthen local businesses. We believe a vibrant future depends on sustaining traditional industries and inspiring new ones—especially when they're based on renewable natural resources such as fishing and farming.

In all that we do, we aim to facilitate collaboration with business, non-profits and government partners.

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