We are pleased to announce that the North Dakota Counseling Association Scholarship Program is available for the 2019 - 2020 school year. This program has been designed to assist individuals in completing their master's degree in counseling or other Human Development Programs.

To be eligible for the NDCA Scholarship Program students must meet the following criteria:

* Be enrolled or enrolling in a graduate program in Counseling or other Human Development program (i.e. school counseling, social work, mental health counseling, college personnel);
* Be a full-time student enrolled in at least six semester hours of credit applicable toward the counseling or human development degree. Internships are considered full-time; and
* Attend an accredited Counseling or Human Development Program at one of the following universities: North Dakota State University, University of Jamestown, University of Mary, University of North Dakota, or Minnesota State University – Moorhead.

**Your complete application packet must be postmarked by November 6, 2019. No email submissions will be accepted.**

All applicants, to include the recipients of the NDCA Scholarship and the NDCA Silent Auction Scholarship, will be informed via email in late-December.

Two $1000 scholarships will be made available to two qualifying students for the 2019 - 2020 school year. If you are selected as the recipient, a check for $1000 will be forwarded to your program advisor and made out jointly in your name and the college's name. Upon endorsement by both parties, the award will be credited to your account.

Complete the application below:

Name_________________________________________________________________________
Address_________________________________________________________________________________
Phone__________________________________ Business Phone___________________________________
e-mail Address________________________________________________________________________
Name of College____________________________________________________________
Address______________________________________________________________________
Name of College Program Advisor______________________________Phone_________________________

Are you currently enrolled at this institution?  Yes_____    No_____
If yes, please complete the following:
Field of Study____________________________________________________________________
Number of credits required for course completion___________________________________
Number of credits you have earned towards this degree______________________________
Name of program advisor____________________________________________________________

Do you have previous graduate level experience?  Yes_____    No_____
If yes, please complete the following:
Name of College  Location  Dates Attended  Course of Study  Degree  GPA
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Please include copies (official or unofficial) of graduate and undergraduate student transcripts with your application.

Please have your program advisor attach a letter of recommendation to this application packet. Your program advisor must also include in this letter information verifying the graduate program in which you are enrolled and that you will be or are registered for at least six semester hours or for an internship.

Are you a citizen of the US? Yes_____ No_____  
If no, are you a legal resident? Yes_____ No_____  

Are you currently employed? Yes_____ No_____  
If yes, are you employed full-time or part-time?__________________________________________________________

List name, address, and phone number of employer:
________________________________________________________________________________________

Is your employer providing educational funding for you? Yes_____ No_____  
If yes, how much?__________________________________________________________

If you are chosen as a recipient of this award, are you willing to attend the NDCA Awards Ceremony in February? Yes_____ No_____  

Please give a brief work history covering the past five years. (if necessary, attach a separate sheet to continue.)

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ESSAY SECTION  
In 250 words or less, explain why you feel a degree in guidance and counseling or a related Human Development area is important and how your life will change once you receive your degree. 
(Attach a separate sheet(s) with your response. Please type.)

FINANCIAL INFORMATION  
(Please note that financial need will be taken into consideration, however, the scholarship will not be awarded solely on a financial need basis.)

How much household income do you anticipate earning in 2020? ____________________________

Do you receive income from other sources? (e.g. social security, veteran's benefits, child support) Yes__No__  
If yes, please list and include dollar amounts:
________________________________________________________________________________________

Do you have any dependents other than spouse and children living in your household? Yes_____ No_____  
If yes, please list their ages and relationship to you:
________________________________________________________________________________________

Signature_________________________________________         Date_________________________
AFTER COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION, PLEASE MAIL THE COMPLETE APPLICATION TO THE NDCA Graduate Scholarship Committee Chairperson:

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