

THE NONPROFIT GRADUATE SCHOOL GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKETS INCLUDE:

- The application on this page or visit GNHCC.COM to complete online
- Verification of current employment or an engagement letter from a qualifying nonprofit with supervisor's name, contact information and annual compensation level
- An attached personal statement of up to 500 words on the impact you hope to have on the nonprofit industry in Greater New Haven

Date of application: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

APPLICANT'S STATEMENT:

[] I certify that the information provided herein is true and complete. I authorize investigation and inquiry with respect to all statements contained in this application as may be necessary in reaching a decision.

Applicant's Signature:

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Graduate School Name: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Course of study: _____

Honors/Awards: _____

Degree type: _____

Month & Year degree awarded/anticipated: _____

Undergraduate School Name: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Course of study: _____

Honors/Awards: _____

Degree type: _____ Month & Year degree awarded: _____

GRADUATE STUDENT LOANS (as of date of application)

Total Loan Balance: _____ Monthly Payment: _____

GSL/Stafford: _____ NDSL/Perkins: _____

Other Grad School Loans: _____

Total of all Grad School Loans: _____

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Current Employer: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Dates of Employment: _____

Job Title/Description: _____

Is this employer a 501c3 nonprofit? Y/N

Supervisor's Name: _____

Supervisor's Email: _____

Other Employer (Post College): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Dates of Employment: _____

Job Title/Description: _____

Is this employer a 501c3 nonprofit? Y/N

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Organization: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Dates of Service: _____

Work Performed: _____

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Work Performed: _____

REQUIREMENTS & CRITERIA

The Nonprofit Graduate School Grant Program provides direct payments to Graduate Student Loan servicers for up to \$10,000 over two years, paid in semi-annual installments. Applications are due **by September 28, 2018**. Awards will be made at The Big Connect, GNHCC's business expo, on November 15, 2018.

Applicants to this program must:

- Either have earned or will be earning a graduate degree
- Either be employed or be promised future employment for a minimum of 30 hours per week in a public service nonprofit organization* (The employer must have current 501c3 status with the IRS)
- Work for a nonprofit in one of the following municipalities: **Bethany, Branford, Cheshire, East Haven, Guilford, Hamden, Madison, Milford, New Haven, North Branford, North Haven, Orange, Wallingford, West Haven or Woodbridge**
- Have previously received need-related student loans through such vehicles as the GSLA (Stafford) or NDSL (Perkins) programs during their graduate studies
- Apply up to nine months prior to graduation and up to five years after graduation
- Have a personal annual income of less than \$60,000 at the time of the award

**Qualifying nonprofits are: human services, arts, environment, community development organizations*

If awarded, the program will forward payment directly to the Loan Servicer for four consecutive periods (over two years) during which the applicant must remain employed by a nonprofit that meets the criteria described. At the time of the award, and

immediately prior to each loan payment, awardees will **(1) submit documentation on existing loan balances, and (2) submit current verification of employment**. Eligibility due to changes in employment will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Loan payments will not exceed the existing balance on any loan.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Complete the application inside this brochure.

- Applicants will be recruited by the Nonprofit Resource Council of the Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce.
- Interviews may be extended by invitation and are conducted annually.
- Award recipients are selected based on their contributions to the community and financial need.
- Grants are available to applicants who meet the requirements outlined in this brochure.

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Mail or drop-off completed application packet to: **Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce, Attn: The Nonprofit Graduate School Grant Program, 900 Chapel St, 10th Fl., New Haven, CT 06510 or email pservices@gnhcc.com**

QUESTIONS?

Contact Partnership Services at (203) 782-4342 or pservices@gnhcc.com

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2018 NONPROFIT GRADUATE SCHOOL GRANT PROGRAM



The Nonprofit Resource Council of GNHCC has designed a grant for the benefit of employees of public service nonprofit organizations

