



Long Island Section of the
American Planning Association
New York Metro Chapter

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ANNOUNCEMENT

ARTHUR KUNZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR ATTENDANCE AT THE AMERICAN PLANNING ASSOCIATION NATIONAL CONFERENCE

December 22, 2016 (*Revised January 19, 2017 and February 10, 2017*)

For over twenty years the Long Island Section of the American Planning Association New York Metro Chapter has awarded the Arthur Kunz Memorial Scholarship to up to three new professional planners working on Long Island and planning students from Long Island to attend the APA National Conference.

Arthur H. Kunz was a Long Island planner who was committed to preserving and enhancing Suffolk County by balancing its growth and development with environmental protection and played an integral part in Suffolk County's development for almost 30 years. He worked for the Nassau County Planning Commission from 1958 to 1969. In 1969, he became Assistant Planning Director for the Suffolk County Department of Planning and Director in 1989. Arthur Kunz was a straightforward and highly regarded man whose planning knowledge, commitment to public service, and professionalism improved the quality of life in Suffolk County. Since 1994, the Long Island Section has been awarding planning scholarships in his memory.

The conference is held in a different city each year and this coming year will be held in New York City. The Long Island Section would like to promote attendance and professional development by providing additional grants to Long Island planners. We recognize that even though the conference will be held in NYC, the cost to attend for professional planners is steep and the cost can pose a significant constraint for some planners that would otherwise attend and benefit greatly from the event.

Therefore, this year the Section is dedicating additional funds to provide scholarship grants to professional planners as well as new planners and students. At least three scholarships will be awarded to students/new professionals, and the remaining grants will be accessible to all Long Island planners.

The individual amount of the grants will not exceed **\$1,000** and based on the applicant's requested and justified level of assistance. The cost for the conference this year for a professional planner (APA member) is \$735 (early bird rate) **and applicants will be responsible for a portion of the total conference expense (registration, lodging, transportation, etc.)**. In addition, scholarship awards are to be provided on a reimbursement basis. Awardees will be asked to participate in either a panel discussion or short individual presentation to share something from the conference at our annual Arthur Kunz Memorial Scholarship Breakfast to be held in late May or June 2017.

Attendance in one of the mobile workshops is a requirement. Staying overnight in NY is encouraged, as attendees can get the full conference experience since receptions and other events



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are held in the evenings (and part of the experience of the conference is to meet and get to know planners from around the country)! However, individual grants will not cover the total cost of the conference and lodging, so, a commitment to making up the balance needs to be a consideration for all applicants. Applicants are encouraged to consider the amount they personally require to allow them to attend.

Selection Considerations:

1. Planner working/living on Long Island or planning student with ties to Long Island.
2. Past attendance at an APA National Conference. Priority will be given to those who have never been able to attend or those who have not been able to attend for many years (if you have never been able to attend – or have not been able to attend for many years because of costs or other reasons – please explain in your application).
3. Selection of conference sessions¹ or tracks² and how these sessions/tracks would specifically benefit and provide value to your career and/or aspirations in the field of Planning.
4. Participation in mobile workshop.
5. Dedication to planning on Long Island.
6. Creativity in use of funds, and level of commitment indicated to make the most of the conference.
7. Pitch for presentation or participation in panel discussion at the Arthur Kunz Memorial Scholarship Breakfast.
8. Maximum grant award of **\$1,000** per recipient.

If you are interested in applying for scholarship funds, please complete the attached form (see next page), and return to the Long Island Section Scholarship Committee at: ArthurKunzScholarship@gmail.com by ~~4:00pm on February 10, 2017~~ **Please be advised that the deadline to submit an application has been EXTENDED to 4:00pm on Friday, February 17, 2017.** An automatic response will be sent to you from this address – but if you do not receive one, please send an email to our Treasurer, Kathy Eiseman at keiseman@nelsonpopevoorhis.com, who will be downloading the responses for review by the committee. You may also email ArthurKunzScholarship@gmail.com with any questions.

We look forward to receiving your application.

Sincerely,

Sean E. Sallie, AICP
Long Island Section Director

¹ See: <https://www.planning.org/conference/>

² See: <https://www.planning.org/conference/proposal/tracks/>



Arthur Kunz Memorial Scholarship

2017 Application

SECTION I (Please attach additional pages if needed.)

1. Name³: _____
2. Address: _____
3. Email address: _____
4. Phone: _____
5. Have you ever attended an APA National Conference? Yes / No If yes, when?
6. Are you a past Arthur Kunz Memorial Scholarship recipient? If so, please indicate year.
7. What specific Conference-related expenses (registration, lodging, transportation, etc.) will the grant cover?
8. Why do you believe you would be a qualified applicant for receiving the Arthur Kunz Memorial Scholarship funds for 2017?
9. What specific subjects are you most interested in learning about at the conference?
10. Please select up to three conference sessions that you would attend and describe how these topics would specifically benefit and provide value to your career and/or aspirations in the field of Planning?
11. How would you expect attendance at the conference to improve your abilities as a planner?
12. Narrative (please feel free to provide additional information to support your application – 500 words or less).

SECTION II

Please submit the following information as a separate attachment (word format) with the file name: “APPLICANT NAME Grant Request”

1. Amount of grant requested: \$_____ (not to exceed \$1,000)
2. Expected matching funds from applicant: \$_____

³ Note – during review, names will not be visible to the scholarship selection committee



SECTION III

Complete the appropriate column (recent graduates should fill out student section or if recently graduated and employed, may fill out both sections).

PROFESSIONAL PLANNERS		STUDENTS	
Place of work		College/University	
Title		Program	
Daily Responsibilities/Job Description		Degree sought	
Years of experience		Expected date of graduation	
		Do you intend on working on Long Island following graduation?	