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SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT – for immediate release

**ARTHUR KUNZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
FOR ATTENDANCE AT THE 2020 AMERICAN PLANNING ASSOCIATION
NATIONAL CONFERENCE**

Up to Three Scholarships are Available for New Professional Planners working on Long Island and Planning Students from Long Island for Attendance at the APA National Conference in Houston Texas in April 2020

The **Long Island Section** of American Planning Association's New York Metro Chapter is pleased to announce that we will be awarding up to three Arthur Kunz Memorial Scholarships for attendance at the APA National Conference in April 2020. The scholarship awardees will receive \$1,500 for registration, one or more mobile workshops, and expenses for attendance at the APA National Planning Conference that is being held in Houston, Texas April 25 thru April 28, 2020.

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.

Eligible applicants include Long Island based entry-level planners (five or less years out of college or five years or less in a professional planning position) and students from Long Island enrolled in a planning-related program (undergraduate or graduate studies).

The \$1,500 scholarship will cover most expenses related to the conference registration, APA membership for one year for non-members (and non-students, as APA student membership is free) and some additional expenses. Mr. Kunz spent most APA conferences attending as many mobile workshops as possible and believed in the value of seeing planning in action in other parts of the country. Therefore, a portion of the scholarship is to be used to pay for participation in least one mobile workshop.

If you are a new professional planner working on Long Island or a student of planning (or in a related field) and are from Long Island and wish to apply for a scholarship to attend the 2020 APA National Conference, please send a **letter of interest** and a **copy of your resume** (consolidated file in pdf format preferred) to LI Section Treasurer Kathy Eiseman at keiseman@nelsonpopevoorhis.com with a copy to Sean Sallie, Section Director, at seanapalisection@gmail.com. The letter should include your specific areas of interest in the planning field, goals for a career in planning on Long Island and what you hope to gain from attendance at the National Conference and participation in a mobile workshop.

The deadline for submissions is Wednesday, January 8, 2020 by 5pm.