Chief Jim Estepp Scholarship Award

As the result of a very generous bequest, the *Chief Jim Estepp Scholarship Award* has been established in Chairman Estepp's honor to enhance the mission of the Pro Board through educational endeavors.

Each year, the Pro Board provides complementary attendance at its Annual Accreditation and Education Conference to one person from each of its Accredited Agencies. That person is able to gain knowledge and insight into Pro Board Policy and Procedures and is exposed to state-of-the-art concepts and initiatives in the field of Fire Service Certification through Keynote Addresses, Policy and Procedure Updates and Educational Workshops.

While the information presented is of great value to the agency representatives in attendance, it is recognized that other persons from an Agency, *especially those in* ***administrative support*** *roles,* would also benefit from attendance at the Conference but fiscal considerations at the Agency level prevent the funding of those additional people from attending.

The Pro Board is extremely pleased to announce that the *Chief Jim Estepp Scholarship Award* will henceforth fund the attendance of two additional people (one each from two Accredited Agencies) to the Conference that fulfill ***administrative support*** roles that have direct impact and responsibilities for Certification Testing at the Accredited Agency.

The head of an Accredited Agency may nominate a person from his or her Agency to be considered for this Scholarship Award by submitting a one-page nomination letter that specifies and describes the position that the nominee has in the Agency that directly impacts the support of its Certification Testing program, how their attendance at the Conference would benefit the attendee and the Agency, and how fiscal considerations at the Agency would otherwise prevent the attendance at the Conference at their own or the Agency's expense.

Successful nominees will be provided a Scholarship to cover Conference Registration, Conference meals and lodging at the Conference Hotel and a stipend toward airfare to the Conference. Other incidental expenses, including local transportation, are the responsibility of the awardee.

Nominations for a scholarship must be submitted to Accreditation Manager Bob Rand (rrand@proboard.org) by November 15th of each year on the form designed specifically for this award.

Application Info on the next page:

Scholarship Award Nomination Application

The one-page Chief Jim Estepp Scholarship Award Nomination should be submitted on Agency Letterhead and must, at a minimum, address the following:

- Nominee's Contact Information.
- Nominee's position in the Accredited Agency's organization.
- How the nominee's position directly impacts the ***administrative support*** of the Agency's Accredited Certification program.
- How the nominee will benefit from attendance at the Pro Board's Accreditation and Education Conference.

Nominations for the Scholarship Award should be forwarded by November 15th to Accreditation Manager Bob Rand at rrand@proboard.org.