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## **The Tarpon Bay Explorers Scholarship for Environmental Studies**

The purpose of this award program is to encourage students to pursue a degree in environmental studies. Funds may be used for the educational institution's tuition, books, supplies and equipment, or technical materials.

College students with professional goals to pursue science, biology, environmental education, or wildlife conservation will be given preference and are invited to apply for The Tarpon Bay Explorers Scholarship for Environmental Studies. One or more local college students with an intended major pertaining to some aspect of environmental science will be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship in April 2010.

The committee will consider funding for, but not limited to, tuition associated with any science related degree or advanced workshops.

The committee will not consider funding for:

- Travel-related expenses.
- Projects which are funded through other grants from other sources.
- Activities involving any organization employing the applicant.
- Activities which do not demonstrate a proven commitment to a particular discipline.
- Activities not related to the enhancement of the student's career in science.

Eligibility In order to be eligible for the Tarpon Bay Explorers Scholarship for Environmental Studies, applicants must meet both of the following criteria.

1. Resident of Lee, Collier or Charlotte County.
2. Pursuing degree pertaining to environmental studies.

Application Process Applicants must complete an application form and submit the following documents:

1. A maximum one page essay describing personal and scientific goals, accomplishments and proposed scientific project/course of study. Identify the school(s) you will be attending and/or have applied to. Please provide as much detail as you feel is necessary. Outline anticipated costs and tuition for your proposed course of study.
2. Three letters of reference concerning scientific ability and character.
3. Official school transcripts of courses completed within the last four years.
4. Proof of College enrollment.

**ALL INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.**

Complete applications must be received by March 31, 2010. Please send all materials to:

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1 Wildlife Dr., P.O. Box 565, Sanibel, FL 33957