



American Water Works Association  
**Pacific Northwest** Section

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To: Board of Trustees - PNWS-AWWA

From Dave Leland, Chair-Scholarship Committee

RE: Budget Request and Update: Fall Trustees' Meeting

The Section's scholarships provide significant support for deserving and committed students. We all know someone in the industry who has been helped by these scholarships. The attached scholarship award history shows that the Section has awarded a total of nearly \$460,000 in scholarships since 1995, including scholarships to nine students in 2017.

The Scholarship Committee's 2018 budget proposes awarding eight scholarships totaling \$33,000. The request includes funding of \$24,000 from E&T, \$4,000 from Ameron, \$1,500 from Kelman and Associates, \$2,500 from the NW Washington subsection, and \$1,000 of AWWA Operator funds. The committee will award the AWWA Operator Scholarship to a qualified applicant using \$1,000 of other scholarship funding to serve as the required 1:1 Section match. \$500 is requested from the Board to cover costs of student memberships for applicants who are not already members.

The committee is currently working on leadership transition to be completed during the 2018 scholarship award process. We also appreciate offered assistance from Ronda Farmer and the Section IT committee to improve our on-line application, review, and scoring process this fall.

The Section does great work. Let's continue to develop the knowledge, skills and educational preparation of students interested in entering our professions. I urge the Board to accept this report and support the budget requested.

Thank you!