



2015 Women in ABC Scholarship Application

Canned Food Construction Project

Women in ABC, a committee of women members of ABC Baltimore who are directly involved in the field of commercial construction, intends to award up to a Four Thousand Dollar (\$4,000.00) scholarship to a young woman interested in pursuing a career in our field.

This scholarship award will be based upon a design competition for a charity construction project more commonly known as “canstruction®”. The actual design and construction of a project of your choice must be based upon and built completely with canned food or other non-perishable materials. Once constructed and photographed, these items will be to be donated to the charity of your choice.

You are to provide a description of the process you will use to complete this construction project, but do not need to complete the actual construction of the canned food project as a part of this entry. Your designed construction project can be large or small – but creativity is paramount. Please provide a written response to each aspect of the process listed below.

Your written materials and application will be judged on your design and hypothetical implementation process – a creative, challenging project will be the winner of this scholarship! Thinking outside of the box is mandatory.

After the scholarship is awarded, the winning design will be built at your school by the scholarship winner.

WABC’s scholarship recipient will be asked to stay in touch with Women in ABC and if possible speak to other young women at our annual Professional Career Day where you can recount your field of study, work in the field during vacations and your efforts and final accomplishment of securing employment during your schooling or after graduation.

Instructions:

The following represents some of the steps involved in each and every construction project. Please review these items and provide a written, detailed description of how they relate to your proposed project:

DESIGN – a project must be designed before it can be built. Design includes both the architectural elements which determine how the project will look as well as the structural elements which determine if the design will support itself.

Design must be completed using a graph paper/CADD type method. Please design your project on graph paper showing all four sides in elevation and describe how you determined what materials will be used and the calculations of quantities of each:

PROCUREMENT – to complete your design you will need a fixed quantity of all of the materials which make up your final design. Sizes as well as quantities must be calculated and the materials “purchased” or donated for your project.

Please provide a listing, or estimate, of the quantities of the different materials you used and the means by which you intend to procure the materials (by purchase, donations, fund raisers or the like):

CONSTRUCTION/TEAM BUILDING – construction projects are completed by a team headed by the Project Manager (you as the scholarship applicant).

Please describe the means by which you would select your team, the leadership steps you need to complete to construct your project, how you determine your “site”/project location and any challenges you anticipate encountering when constructing the project:

COMMISSIONING/PROJECT TURNOVER – once a construction project has been completed it is turned over to an Owner whose personnel are trained to use the completed building. In your case in lieu of turning over the building to an owner, the materials are to be donated to the charity of your choice.

Please describe how, if you are the awarded winner, you would determine which charity is to receive the canned food, how you intend to demolish the project and how the materials will be delivered to your charity:

WHAT DID YOU LEARN FROM THIS PROCESS – every construction project is the same and yet every construction project is totally different. While this may sound like a paradox, all of us in the industry know this to be true.

Please describe your challenges, how you overcame them and whether or not this process has increased or decreased your interest in pursuing a career in our exciting industry:

The deadline for submitting the written description of your proposed project is May 15, 2015.

Entries are to be submitted in notebook form to
Women in ABC Scholarship Committee
c/o ABC Baltimore Metro Chapter
Attn: Rachel Hughes
1220B E. Joppa Road, Suite 322
Towson, MD 21286
410-821-0351 ext. 104

Please be certain to include the following in your submission:

Applicant Information

Student Name: _____

Address: _____

School/Grade: _____

Principal's Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please include your school GPA and transcripts as part of this application.