WEF Operator Scholarship

WEF is pleased to support operator training with an Operator Scholarship. The purpose is to provide funding for individuals who are seeking water sector operator education, training, or certification to enter the industry or to advance their knowledge, skills, abilities, or license. Eligible individuals must be 1) seeking an entry-level operator's license; or 2) a licensed entry-level or above operator seeking professional development. The amount of funding will be equal to the cost of the education or training, up to \$5,000. The application MUST include cost documentation from an education or training organization. The application period is January 15 through April 1, annually.

Application Requirements

- 1. Name
- 2. Address
- 3. WEF Membership Number
- 4. E-mail
- 5. Race
- 6. Gender Identity
- 7. Member Association Name
- 8. Current employer
- 9. Amount Requested
- 10. Cost documentation from education or training organization
- 11. Resume to include education and work experience
- 12. Purpose/Objective of scholarship funding request 500-word limit
- 13. Essay on one of the following (500-word limit)
 - a. Why did you select this career?
 - b. How do you want to contribute to the field/industry?
 - c. What are your career goals?
- 14. Any additional information you would like to share with the selection committee? (100-word limit)
- *Application must be submitted through **Open Water**.

Note: Funding will be provided directly to organization providing education, training, or certification. Applicant to provide supporting information to show cost of education or training as well as who/where payment should be directed.

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