

NEWS ARTICLE ON SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR COOPERATIVE NEWSLETTERS

The Nebraska Cooperative Council Education Foundation will provide four (4) scholarships for the 2013/14 academic year to students at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources and the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture (NCTA) at Curtis.

The Foundation established and endowed fund for the Scholarship Program in Honor of Michael S. Turner. The scholarship program includes:

- ❖ Three \$1,100 scholarships at UNL with one going to an incoming student and two to upperclass students majoring in agribusiness or ag economics.

- ❖ One \$600 scholarship at NCTA for a student majoring in agribusiness or ag production systems

The scholarship program was initiated with 1993/94 academic year as an important addition to the Council's youth education efforts. Since that time, 149 scholarships totaling \$114,700 have been provided to students.

Student eligibility is restricted to sons/daughters of a parent/legal guardian who has been an active member, director, or employee for at least the prior three (3) years of a cooperative which has been a member in good standing of the Council for at least five (5) years. Scholarship committees at UNL and NCTA make the selection of recipients based on criteria established for each scholarship. The Foundation only verifies local cooperative affiliation and Council membership requirements.

Individuals will need to complete an application form indicating the local cooperative of which their parents/legal guardians are a member and submit it to UNL or NCTA by April 15, 2013. The application form, which is attached to an informational brochure, is available from local cooperative managers or on the Council's website at www.nebr.coop.