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# 2027 LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

# PATTY BARNHART MEMORIAL
# REGISTRATION SCHOLARSHIPS

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**YOU MUST HOLD INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP IN WVEDC**
WVEDC membership is not all-inclusive through your organization.
If you are uncertain about your membership status, contact Betty Evans-Pagur at betty@wvedc.org or (304) 720-3423 to verify. For eligibility, your application must be returned by **the deadline below.**

The **WEST VIRGINIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (WVEDC)** is pleased to announce the availability of up to ***TEN*** *WVEDC Conference Registration Scholarships for its members for the 2027 Legislative Conference.* The scholarship will pay for registration for the WVEDC conference to be used immediately following the award. ALL SCHOLARSHIPS NOT USED IMMEDIATELY WILL BE FORFEITED. If you have previously applied and not been selected, please try again. Also, being a recipient of a past award does not preclude consideration for another conference registration scholarship.

This scholarship provides an excellent opportunity for assistance with your LED/CDC requirement to attend at least one WVEDC conference yearly.

## DEADLINE

**Please forward your completed application by e-mail to *Jennifer Smith, WVEDC Education Committee Chair,*** at ***jsmith@developmentauthority.com.*** **The application deadline** for a registration scholarship for the 2027 Legislative Conference January 20-21, 2027, will be **December 1, 2026.** If you have questions regarding this program or the application, please contact Jennifer at the e-mail address above.

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# REGISTRATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

## PURPOSE

The purpose of the Scholarship Program is to provide an opportunity for members of the **West Virginia Economic Development Council (WVEDC)** to meet the conference attendance requirements of the WV LED grant with no registration fee.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Membership in the West Virginia Economic Development Council is ***individual***, not organizational. The applicant must be an individual member of **WVEDC** and be involved, either directly or indirectly, with economic development work in West Virginia. The applicant shall agree to remain employed in the economic development field in the State of West Virginia for one year from the date of the scholarship award.

## SCHOLARSHIP VALUE DEFINED

This scholarship will pay for the recipient's **registration fee** for a WVEDC conference. **Any expenses outside of the registration fee must be paid for by the recipient. WVEDC will NOT reimburse any travel, lodging, or meal expenses with this Registration Scholarship.**

## FORFEITURE

Registration scholarship funds awarded must be used immediately and cannot be carried forward. Any scholarships that are not used immediately will be forfeited. You may re-apply for a future conference.

## APPLICATION

Applications must be completed and signed by the applicant and received by the deadlines outlined in this application:

# CHECK LIST

_____ Completed Application

_____ Signed and Dated Application

_____ Member of WVEDC (Committee will verify membership.)

# WEST VIRGINIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
## PATTY BARNHART MEMORIAL REGISTRATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
***(Please complete by typing or printing in ink.)***

**WVEDC Conference Registration Scholarship**

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**NAME:** _____

**BUSINESS ADDRESS:** _____

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**E-MAIL:** _____

**EMPLOYER:** _____

**PHONE:** _____/_____
**(Business)** **(Home or cell)**

**FAX:** _____

**Years with Present Employer** _____

**Years of Economic Development Experience** _____ **In West Virginia**_____

**Annual Budget of Your Economic Development Organization** _____

**Do you intend to remain employed in the economic development field for the next twelve months in the state of West Virginia? YES _____ NO _____**

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**THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE MUST RECEIVE THIS APPLICATION BY THE DEADLINES OUTLINED ABOVE.**

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**Applicant's Signature** **Date**