

# **BROOME COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION**

Public Safety Facility / 153 Lt. VanWinkle Drive / Binghamton, New York 13905-1559



## **M E M O R A N D U M**

**TO:** All County Fire Personnel  
**FROM:** Brett Chellis, BC Fire Chiefs Award Committee  
**DATE:** August 22, 2014  
**SUBJECT:** **ERNEST S. YOUNGS TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**



The Broome County Fire Chiefs Association is, again, sponsoring the annual ERNEST S. YOUNGS TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. Attached is the application form for the program. Please note that the **application deadline is SEPTEMBER 22ND** and that there are certain criteria that **MUST** be fulfilled in order to have a complete application package. The award will be given at the October 2<sup>nd</sup> fire chief's meeting.

Incomplete application packages **will not** be returned to be completed. It is the responsibility of the applicant to make sure the applications are complete.

Additional applications may be obtained by calling me at 778-1208.

Thank you.

Attachment

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**ERNEST S. YOUNGS TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

The objective of the Broome County Fire Chief's Association Tuition Assistance Program is to enhance, through academic achievement at the college level, the quality of leadership in the fire service of New York State.

The association will award tuition assistance each year, based on merit, to individuals pursuing a higher education in the fire sciences and related academic programs. Assistance awards will be a maximum of \$500.00 each year.

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE:**

Any person who is an active member of a fire department or fire company (career or volunteer) in Broome County and who has demonstrated proficiency as a member firefighter, is eligible to apply for tuition assistance to an accredited institution of higher education.

**APPLICATION:**

Applicants must complete all sections of the application (both sides) properly. **In addition, attach a statement of approximately 250 words explaining why you are applying for financial assistance and why you believe this course of program will be useful to you.** The Chief's Endorsement Form must be completed and sent directly to the association under separate cover by your chief.

**NECESSARY DOCUMENTS:**

The Ernest S. Youngs Tuition Assistance Program application form, a personal statement, Chief's Endorsement Form and if previous college level courses have been completed, a transcript and list of courses taken.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: **SEPTEMBER 22, 2014**

The deadline for submitting the Tuition Assistance application will be by September 22, 2014 for the academic year. Mail the application and supporting documentation to :

Broome County Fire Chief's Association  
c/o Scholarship Committee  
Broome County Office of Emergency Services  
153 Lt. VanWinkle Dr.  
Binghamton, NY 13905

**SELECTION:**

In evaluating the application, preference will be given to those demonstrating need, potential and initiative. Consideration also shall be given to the student's fire service position, program or course(s) selected and their relationship to the program objective.

**HISTORY OF PROGRAM:**

The award is named for the first Fire Coordinator of Broome County, Ernest S. Youngs. Mr. Youngs served the fire service for many years as Chief of the Port Crane Fire Company and County Fire Coordinator. In addition, the Youngs family operated the first Fire Dispatch Control Center for Broome County, voluntarily for many years out of their General Store and home in Port Crane. It was through the efforts and dedication of Coordinator Youngs that the fire service progressed in this county through those years.

This program was implemented in his memory by the Broome County Fire Chief's Association.



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## ERNEST S. YOUNGS TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM CHIEFS' ENDORSEMENT FORM

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

As an applicant for an Ernest S. Youngs Tuition Assistant Program, I authorize Chief \_\_\_\_\_ to complete this recommendation form for the Broome County Fire Chiefs' Association's use in evaluating my application.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Applicant's Fire Department: \_\_\_\_\_

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Is applicant an active member in good standing? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years of membership \_\_\_\_\_

Positions Held	Years
_____	_____
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_____	_____
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Recommended by Chief \_\_\_\_\_ Not Recommended by Chief \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Chief's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Chief's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

