

# **IPWEA WA State Conference Grants**

Are you keen to improve your knowledge and skills in public works and services? Are you interested in networking with more than 300 public works colleagues from around WA?

If so, then this grant – and this conference – may be just the one for you!

The Public Works Engineering Foundation Western Australia is offering two (2) grants to provide opportunities for employees in the public works sector to attend the IPWEA Annual State Conference held in March each year.

The purpose of these grants is to provide an avenue for those public works professionals who would not otherwise be able to attend the conference due to budget restrictions or limited staff training opportunities in their respective organisations.

These scholarships are available to:

• Applicants who are: 40 years of age or under on the closing date of applications, and are employed in the public works sector in Western Australia. Preference is for applicants who are employed in regional or remote locations in Western Australia, and have limited budgets to attend conferences such as this in Metropolitan Perth.

In making these grants available, the Foundation hopes to further its objectives:

- To provide opportunities for people employed in public works to broaden their knowledge and exchange experiences and information on new trends and techniques in the industry; and,
- To promote networking and support structures for the benefit of professionals in the sector.

#### **Grant Details**

These grants will cover the cost of Conference registrations, attendance of the delegate and their partner at the Annual Conference Dinner and the Networking Function.

The grant will not cover accommodation, travel or other incidental costs related to attendance at the Conference. The delegate's employer should be requested to meet these other expenses.

The Foundation may give consideration to a special request for additional funding in relation to accommodation, travel and other costs where the applicant is employed in a regional or remote location and has been able to secure a commitment from their employer to meet a reasonable share of these costs. Please consult with the Foundation Secretary in relation to any proposal for such additional funding.

### **Grant Conditions**

- Applicants must be financial members of IPWEA WA on the date of the application.
- Applications must be accompanied by a statement identifying what the applicant hopes to gain from attending the Conference and where he or she views their future career ambitions in the public works sector.
- Applicants are required to secure agreement from their employer to their attendance at the Conference and a commitment from the employer to meet any costs associated with attendance not included in the scholarship grant. The applicant shall include a written statement from the employer to that effect with the application form.
- The Foundation Scholarship Selection Panel reserves the right not to make any scholarship award. The decision of the Selection Panel will be advised to all applicants in due course.
- Successful applicants will be required to submit a 1,000 word report to the Foundation within three (3) months on the Conference proceedings and what was gained from attending the Conference. This report will become the property of the Foundation and may be published or distributed as The Foundation chooses.

#### For further information

Please contact the office on (08) 9321 5306 or email <u>foundation@ipwea.asn.au</u>.

#### Applications

Applications for scholarships should be submitted on the attached Application Form.

Applications, sent to the address below, must be completed in full. They must include all the required information, and must be received at The Foundation office by **<u>COB on 15 February</u>** each year.

## The Foundation Secretary (IPWEA State Conference Grant Application) Public Works Engineering Foundation Western Australia PO Box 8187 PERTH BC WA 6849

Email: <u>foundation@ipwea.asn.au</u> Enquiries by telephone to (08) 9321 5306



# IPWEA Annual State Conference Scholarship Application

Full Name:	
Business Address:	
Business Phone:	
Mobile Phone:	
Email:	
Date of Birth:	
Present Position:	
Employer:	
Membership of Professional Association	IPWEA yes/no Other (name)

Closing Date for receipt of applications is 1.00pm on 15 February.

Applications shall include the following information: -

- A brief Description of applicants current work / responsibilities
- A brief description of applicants career;
- A brief statement as to why the Scholarship Award will benefit the applicant in their professional development (100-200) words.
- A statement from the applicant's manager/director confirming the employer's agreement to attendance at the Conference and a commitment from the employer to meet any costs associated with attendance not included in the scholarship grant.

I have read the guidelines applicable to the Foundation's Annual Conference Scholarship Award and agree to abide by all rules and accept the judging panel's decision.

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

Date: \_\_\_\_\_