



**SOUTH SUBURBAN  
WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION**

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## **RE: WaterCon Scholarship**

Dear Members,

The South Suburban Water Works Association (SSWWA) develops and supports people, agencies, and organizations that plan, build, maintain, and improve our water systems. Working together, SSWWA and its membership contribute to a higher and sustainable quality of life.

Part of the Association's mission is to help communities understand the critical role that waterworks operations play in our lives. To fulfill this mission, the SSWWA has created a scholarship program again this year to award selected members. The goal of the scholarship is to introduce educational opportunities to waterworks officials who, due to funding constraints, would not normally be able to attend WaterCon, the Illinois American Water Works Association (IL-AWWA) annual educational convention in Springfield. Eligibility for this scholarship is only open to public works officials only who were an established member prior to January 1, 2021.

Each scholarship winner will receive (1) complimentary entrance to the convention for (3) days, and a \$500 stipend for meals and lodging. Scholarship Reimbursement policy: Recipients will be responsible, for all expenses (travel, lodging meals), and making all travel arrangements. Winners will provide documentation showing that they attended the conference and then will be awarded the \$500 stipend.

Sincerely,

***Tom Nagle***

Thomas E. Nagle, PE  
Robinson Engineering, Ltd.  
Watercon Scholarship Co-Chairman

***Mark Siefert***

Mark Siefert, MPA  
City of Crest Hill  
Watercon Scholarship Co-Chairman

### **Awards Available**

- 1 or 2 - \$500 scholarship for each selected applicant
- Additional scholarships may be awarded if funding and applicants are available

### **Eligibility**

- Applicant must be a member of the South Suburban Water Works Association (SSWWA) prior to January 1, 2021.
- Applicant must be employed by public water systems. Contractors, engineers, sales representatives, etc., are not eligible for the scholarship.
- Applicants' employer must not be offering reimbursement for such conferences.
- Previous winners of the WaterCon Scholarship are not eligible for future WaterCon scholarships.

### **Judging Criteria**

- Winning applicants will be chosen by random drawing.

### **Deadlines**

- Applications must be submitted by e-mail to Tom Nagle at [tnagle@reltd.com](mailto:tnagle@reltd.com) by noon on May 3, 2021 Applicants will be notified by May 14<sup>th</sup> (Conference starts on August 9, 2021). Applicants will be honored at the SSWWA golf outing (May 20<sup>th</sup>)
- Applications received after the due date will not be accepted.

### **Submittals**

- To be considered for a scholarship, the following must be completed and submitted by the deadline:
  - Fill out the General Information Form
  - Sign and date the application. Electronic signatures for applications submitted by e-mail are acceptable. An electronic copy of this application can be downloaded from [http://swwa.org/E-mail Submittals](http://swwa.org/E-mail%20Submittals)
- Applications must be e-mailed by noon, May 3, 2021 to Tom Nagle, at [Tnagle@reltd.com](mailto:Tnagle@reltd.com). Please include the title "SSWWA WaterCon Scholarship Program" in the subject portion of the e-mail

### **Questions**

- Please e-mail any questions to Tom Nagle at [Tnagle@reltd.com](mailto:Tnagle@reltd.com) or Mark Siefert at [MSiefert@cityofcresthill.com](mailto:MSiefert@cityofcresthill.com)

### **Disclaimer**

- The SSWWA reserve the right to deny applicants for any scholarship if applications does not meet the requirements outlined in this document.

### **WaterCon Description**

- The conference is the largest gathering of water professionals in Illinois and is designed to offer exceptional educational and networking opportunities. This event attracted over 1,600 attendees. WaterCon attendees come from not only Illinois, but many other states such as Missouri, Indiana, Kentucky, Iowa, Minnesota, Ohio, South Carolina, Georgia and Texas. Attendees from many different disciplines attend this conference. They represent both small and large utilities. The conference will include sessions and learning opportunities with tangible takeaways on a variety of topics important to your community, such as potable water, wastewater, stormwater, underground utilities, government finance and lake management.



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**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Name	_____	Member Since	_____
Home Street	_____	Mailing Street	_____
Address	_____	Address (if different)	_____
City, State, Zip	_____	City, State, Zip	_____
Phone	_____	Alternate Phone	_____
Email	_____		

**CURRENT EMPLOYMENT**

Part Time       Full Time       Not Currently Employed

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Work Description \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

By submitting this application, I agree that should I receive a Scholarship, I will commit to pay any remaining costs to attend the aforementioned program, and will be reimbursed up to a maximum of \$500. I certify that all the information submitted in this application to be true and correct and any misinformation will be grounds for disqualification.