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Foundation Announces Opening of 2013-14 Scholarship Competition

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Bethesda, Maryland – The American Occupational Therapy Foundation (AOTF) is pleased to announce that it is accepting applications for its 2013-14 scholarship awards. AOTF awards more than 50 scholarships annually to students enrolled in accredited or developing occupational therapy programs in the United States. Scholarships are awarded based on selection criteria that include academic achievement, service, and evidence of leadership through activities and written recommendations.

The AOTF administers funds for scholarship provided through endowments and partnerships with 22 state occupational therapy associations and the District of Columbia Occupational Therapy Association.

The Foundation also administers and awards several scholarships established in memory of prominent occupational therapy practitioners, as well as scholarships sponsored by corporate and non-profit supporters. Corporate sponsor North Coast Medical provides generous scholarships for two students, and for the 40th consecutive year, Kappa Delta Phi Sorority will provide generous scholarships for two students. The National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT) provides scholarships for four exemplary students.

New this year will be scholarships given through endowments with the Michigan Occupational Therapy Association Fred Sammons and Barbara Rider Endowed Scholarship, the Virginia Occupational Therapy Association Fred Sammons Endowed Scholarship and the Todd Poche Endowed Scholarship of the Louisiana Occupational Therapy Association.

For complete information and to begin an online application, visit [the AOTF website](#) . Online applications must be submitted by October 31, 2013.

The American Occupational Therapy Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable, scientific and educational organization established in 1965. Its mission is to advance research, education, and leadership in the field of occupational therapy and to raise public awareness of the importance of enabling individuals to participate fully in life regardless of their physical, social, mental, or developmental circumstances.