Guidelines for Student Nurses Endowment

Established in 1985, the Student Nurses Endowment provides funding assistance for BNF nursing student members' involvement in mission projects; and provides scholarships for undergraduate nursing students who are dedicated to medical missions involvement.

Funds to be used from the Student Nurses Endowment shall be limited to the annual earned income. This earned income is designated for the following use: two-thirds to mission projects and one-third to scholarships for undergraduate nursing students who are dedicated to medical missions involvement. Funds received from the Endowment and unused will be returned to the Endowment.

A. Criteria for mission projects applicants:

- 1. The nursing student must be a national BNF member for a minimum of six months.
- 2. Funds are awarded three times a year; April, June, and November. The Student Nurse Endowment Application must be received electronically by the BNF office by March 15th, May 15th, or October 15th for consideration for the next awards month.
- 3. Student requests should include the following:
 - a) Name and date of health care project
 - b) Description of student's involvement
 - c) Total personal cost to participant
 - d) Amount of money requested
 - e) Name of project's sponsor and link to website
 - f) Letters of recommendation from pastor and campus minister or other adult sponsor
 - g) Previous BNF funding received, the amount and the date
- 4. Any student receiving funds will write a project report for the *Lamplighter*/Web publication. and provide a short video (2 minutes), preferably from the mission project site, about your experience and how the funds were used..

B. Criteria for nursing school scholarship applicants dedicated to medical

missions involvement:

- 1. The nursing student must be a member of national BNF for at least six months.
- 2. Student requests should include the following:
 - a) A description of BNF involvement and any pertinent information including major accomplishments, awards, community and/or church involvement.

- b) A copy of current transcript.
- c) Applicant's school ID number
- d) Name, address, and contact phone number for school of nursing department.
- e) Letters of recommendation: one from a nursing faculty member from their school of nursing, or campus ministry leader, or pastor and one from BNF organizational leader.
- f) A personal testimony that includes why they chose the nursing profession and how they will use their nursing education in medical missions.
- g) Provide a written report to the Executive Committee upon completion of the semester in which the scholarship is applied.

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