



## Deputy Darren Goforth Memorial Scholarship Instructions & Information

### Application Instructions

- All sections of the application must be completed and application must be signed to be eligible.
- If additional space is needed for the application please attach a separate sheet of paper.
- Return the application with the following requirements:
  - Copies of current SAT or ACT scores
  - Official copy of current high school transcript
- The completed scholarship application must be postmarked or returned to SPCO Credit Union on or before **Friday, May 18, 2018**, to be eligible for consideration.

### General Information

#### Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicant must be a primary owner of an SPCO Credit Union account. The account must be open for a minimum of two (2) months prior to the application deadline to be eligible for consideration.
- Applicant must be a senior in a Texas state, accredited high school.
- Applicant must have a cumulative 3.00 GPA average as of the end of the 1st semester of 2016.
- The application must arrive at SPCO Credit Union or be postmarked by **Friday, May 18, 2018**.
- All SPCO Credit Union Board Members, Supervisory Committee Members, staff, and the immediate family of those listed above are **not** eligible for consideration.

#### Amount & Terms of Award:

- One scholarship will be awarded to a member of the class of 2018 and will consist of a grant in the amount of \$2,500, awarded one time only. Scholarships are not renewable.
- All funds disbursed will be made payable to the student's college or university of choice.

### Application Procedures:

- Obtain a copy of the application packet from either SPCO Credit Union branch or from spcocu.org
- Complete the application and short essay.
- Return application, copies of SAT or ACT scores, and an official copy of high school transcript to SPCO Credit Union by **Friday, May 18, 2018**.

### Deadlines:

- Applicants must have their own SPCO Credit Union account by Friday, March 16, 2018.
- Applications must be postmarked or returned by **Friday, May 18, 2018**, to be eligible for consideration. ANY APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER MAY 18, 2018 THAT ARE NOT POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE THAT DEADLINE, WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

### Basis of Selection:

The selection committee will score scholarship applications based on the six (6) weighted categories below. The amount listed next to each category determines the percentage of each category's value.

Academic Performance	25%
Volunteer & Community Involvement	20%
High School Activities/Leadership	20%
Essay	15%
Work Experience	10%
Length of Membership at SPCO Credit Union	10%

### Other Information:

- The SPCO Credit Union Scholarship Selection Committee reserves the right to interview applicants in person or by telephone.
- The selected applicant will be notified in writing by Monday, June 18, 2018.
- Family information provided will remain confidential.
- In consideration of this scholarship, no applicant will be discriminated against on the basis of sex, marital status, race, color, religion, national origin, or age.
- Winner will agree that SPCO Credit Union can use their photo for publicity purposes unless otherwise specified, via a Recipient Release Form.