THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES SHAW-WORTH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS SOUGHT BY THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES

Applications are now being accepted for the Shaw-Worth Memorial Scholarship. Each year the scholarship is awarded to a New England high school senior who has made a meaningful contribution to animal protection over a significant period of time. The award consists of tuition assistance in the amount of \$2,500, which is payable to the college or university at which the recipient will be matriculating in 2011. Eligible applicants are sought from New England public, private, parochial and vocational schools.

Actions meriting the award may include long-term, direct work on behalf of animals; inspiring leadership in animal protection organizations; papers, speeches, or presentations on humane topics; and heroic rescues of animals in danger. A humane attitude, an understanding of humane ethics, and past performance on behalf of animals are essential. A passive liking for animals or the mere desire to enter an animal care field does not justify the award nor does animal conservation for the purpose of maintaining hunting stocks. High scholastic standing is not a requisite for this scholarship; please do not include academic transcripts in the application. Financial need is also not a consideration.

Applications may be submitted by any Class of 2011 high school senior. There is no standardized application form to complete. Applications should be written in letter form and should include a narrative of the student's achievements in animal protection, as well as a discussion of his or her attitude toward animals. Documentation of the activities cited, recommendations from at least three people, and a description of future plans for humane work are required. Supporting letters from teachers, mentors, supervisors, peers and other observers are also helpful. In addition, applications should include the student's home address, phone number, and email address on the cover page. Please do not staple documents.

Applications should be mailed to:

The Humane Society of the United States, Shaw-Worth Memorial Scholarship, 2100 L St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20037, postmarked by March 25, 2011.

The award recipient will be announced by May 15, 2011.