

IVAN K BLOUGH VOCATIONAL  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION  
FOR CHAMBER MEMBER BUSINESS

SECTION 1

Chamber Member Business:

Chamber Member Contact:

Employee's Name:

Address:

City & Zip

Phone & Email:

SECTION 2

Must demonstrate a minimum of 15 hours of Volunteer Service at a non-pro at a non-profit organization or church in the Greater Lowell Community. Where were your volunteer hours completed?

*(Attach Ivan K Blough Vocational  
Scholarship Volunteer Hour Timesheet)*

SECTION 3

Attach a separate sheet and share a little about yourself, career goals and why you have chosen the field you are pursuing.

SECTION 4

Please attach two letters of recommendation. One can be from a Teacher/Employer; one must be from Volunteer Service in Section 2.

Signature:

Date:

# IVAN K BLOUGH VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP LEGACY

In June of 2010, the Lowell Community lost a treasured person, Ivan K Blough. The community was overwhelmed with a desire to honor Ivan. The Chamber thought the best way to achieve this was to bring back our scholarship program designating it the Ivan K Blough Scholarship. The Blough family discussed this and felt it would indeed honor their father, and by pooling contributions, we could have a larger impact, minimize administrative costs and the complexity of the application process.

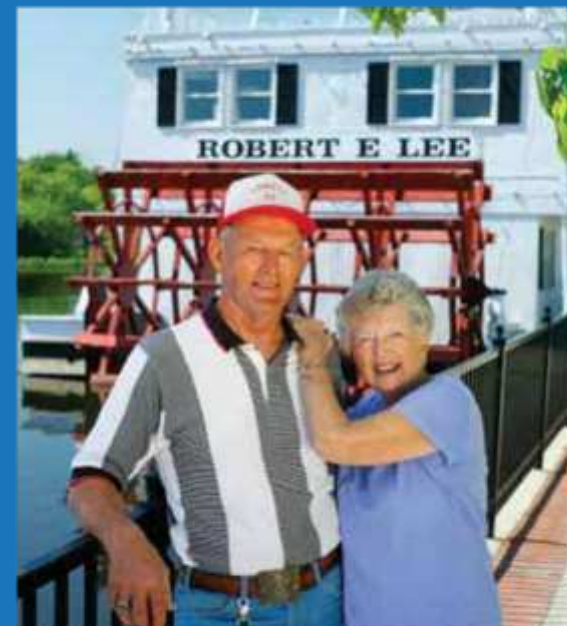
The Chamber Foundation established a perpetual scholarship endowment fund that is managed by the Grand Rapids Community Foundation. The Chamber uses its Annual Golf Outing as a vehicle to raise funds for the endowment, along with other community members, organizations and businesses that wish to contribute.



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The Greater Lowell  
Chamber  
Foundation presents:

## IVAN K BLOUGH VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR BUSINESS



# VISION

The Ivan K Blough Vocational Scholarship Fund ideal is to encourage career skills and educational opportunities for employees of Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce businesses. Promote and foster volunteerism and pride in the Greater Lowell Community and demonstrate community service before self. To honor Ivan, we wish to seek employees wishing to further their career and skills.

## OBJECTIVE

To accumulate and distribute scholarship funds for the purpose of underwriting a portion of the post secondary school tuition costs to vocational or trade school institutions as well as other skills training opportunities for individuals who are seeking business, trade or technical skills attainment.

## SELECTION PROCESS

The Scholarship Committee will meet at the request of the Chamber of Commerce Executive Director for the purpose of reviewing submitted applications.

# CRITERIA

Must be an employee of a Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce Member in good standing.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Employee shows evidence of a high school education and employment with a member business of the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce at the time of application. Note: Award payment is also contingent upon continued employment (full or part time) by the member business employee.
- The request must benefit the chamber member business.
- Submit with the application proof of acceptance to take classes from a vocational or trade school or other skills training class pertaining to the Vision.
- Show evidence of a minimum of 15 hours of volunteer service over the past 12 months within the Greater Lowell Community.

## APPLICATION & WINNER SELECTION

To be eligible for consideration, application, volunteer hours, and required attachments must be turned into the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce. Deadline for application: The 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of April, August and December.



## WHAT IS A VOLUNTEER?

A volunteer is a person that has a spirit of service, creativity, sensitivity for human pain, strong moral values, the ability to work in a team, and a social conscience. They practice solidarity, leadership, good interpersonal relationships, discipline, communication skills, and care for themselves and for others

Volunteering is intended to promote good or improve human quality of life. It is considered as serving the society through own interest, personal skills or learning, which in return produces a feeling of self-worth and respect, instead of money. Volunteering enhances skills of development, to socialize and to have fun. It is also intended to make contacts for possible employment or for a variety of other reasons.

Community volunteering refers to volunteers who work to improve our community in which we live. Neighborhood, church, and community groups play a key role in building strong cities from the neighborhoods up. Supporting these understaffed groups can enable them to succeed in a variety of areas, which connect social, environmental, and economic boundaries.

Volunteers are priceless commodities!

### INTERNAL USE ONLY

Application #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Processed: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Terms of Payment: \_\_\_\_\_