

# **NMRID Scholarship Award Program**

## Scholarship to Attend a Mentoring Program in New Mexico

The New Mexico Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf has established a Scholarship Awards Committee with a board selected chair. The Committee's tasks are to determine application criteria, advertise opportunities, solicit applications, make award determinations, disperse awards, and monitor the service exchange, as agreed upon.

Submissions will be opened and reviewed by the committee as received and be announced by **December 1** (for spring sessions) **or August 1** (for fall sessions) or sooner. The scholarship will be paid by NMRID directly to the mentoring program. NMRID members who receive a scholarship to participate in an NMRID program, training, or workshop may not be considered for a consecutive Professional Development stipend in the same calendar year.

For a session of a Mentoring Program in New Mexico, there will be a maximum of two \$40.00 awards to help cover the cost of the mentoring program's application fee.

### Who May Apply and How:

- Applicants must be a NMRID member in good standing for the **current year**, including up-to-date membership with National RID and must submit:
  - A copy of your current NMRID membership card
  - A copy of your current RID membership card
- Submit a one-page letter to the scholarship committee chair at [nmridscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:nmridscholarship@gmail.com) that addresses the points listed below. Please put "Mentoring Scholarship" in the subject line and include your contact information (e.g., name, address, preferred phone number, and email address)
  - Past involvement with NMRID or RID or your journey thus far in achieving your degree and certification goals
  - The goals you hope to achieve during this mentoring opportunity
  - Your personal interpreting goals
- Award recipients will be posted on the interpreter share group.
- Applicants must meet the requirements for entry into the mentoring program as stated in the Application Request Form instructions
- Awards are contingent upon acceptance into the New Mexico Mentoring Program
- NMRID Board and Scholarship Committee members may not apply

### Who are the Scholarship Committee members?

- Committee Chair: Cara Balestrieri
- Scholarship Board Members: Lesley Siegel and Dana Murrah

If there are any questions about eligibility for scholarship please contact the committee chair for clarification. Good luck!