

## Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc.

*The Voice for Real Estate™* in Litchfield County

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To: REALTOR® Members of Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc.

From: Awards Committee of Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc.

Re: TJ Zappulla, REALTOR® Scholarship Grant

### **ABOUT TJ ZAPPULLA**

Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc. is proud to provide a scholarship for children, stepchildren, grandchildren or legal wards of Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc. members, in honor of longtime REALTOR® member TJ Zappulla whose unwavering dedication to REALTORS®, charitable and civic organizations and his community will continue to inspire REALTORS® for generations.

TJ joined Litchfield County Board of REALTORS® in 1976 and remained a member until his death in 2012. Over the course of his thirty-six year span as a REALTOR® he supported his local Board by serving on twenty-six committees and on the Board of Directors in the following positions: Secretary, Vice President, President-Elect, President and Director. He supported the state Association by serving on six committees and as a State Director for a total of five years.

Over the years he developed a passion for legislative issues and became a political advocate for REALTORS®, and by extension property owners. He is well recognized by both State and Local elected officials, and his involvement resulted in many of the REALTOR® successes in the State's General Assembly. He is highly regarded by the REALTOR® Community as well as elected officials at all levels.

He served as LCBR's Legislative Committee Chair for sixteen years, and during this time he developed three major legislative events. The first was "Legislative Night" soon to be followed with "Meet the Candidates" and the most recent "Local Leadership Breakfast". Our Board received recognition from the Connecticut Association of REALTORS® for being the first to hold such events, and many Associations sought TJ out to start their own similar events.

He championed legislative responsibility by encouraging REALTORS® to monitor legislation affecting the real estate industry and depending on its impact, to take action to support or rally against it by communicating with their legislators.

His continuous watch on legislative issues that affect our organization will be sorely missed. Our organization will go on, but it will never be the same without TJ. His works and efforts will always be remembered as will he!

Our hope is that the TJ Zappulla, REALTOR® Scholarship Grant will assist the recipient in reaching their full potential and becoming an inspiration for others.



### **"Forever in our Hearts"**

TJ Zappulla, REALTOR®  
October 10, 1951 – June 15, 2012

## **WHO IS ELIGIBLE**

In order for your child, stepchild, grandchild or legal ward to apply for the scholarship, you must be an active REALTOR® member or Designated Honorary REALTOR® Member of Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc. for one year prior to the application deadline. In addition to your eligibility requirement, your child, stepchild, grandchild or legal ward must meet the following:

- Successful completion of three years of high school or an equivalent education
- Enrolled as a high school senior or equivalent
- Minimum B Grade Point Average
- Be college/ higher education bound
- Member of the graduating class of the year **2018** or equivalent.

## **APPLYING FOR AWARDS**

Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc. requires that the following items be completed and the entire packet submitted by the applicant no later than **April 3, 2018**.

- An Application for Scholarship (available at Board Office and on our web site)
- An official transcript of High School grades or equivalent (including at least one semester of senior year grades)
- SAT scores

## **HOW SCHOLARSHIPS ARE DETERMINED**

As you would expect, to determine which particular applicants merit scholarship assistance is a difficult task. To make the final allocation of available scholarship funds, the committee will review all applicant information, including cumulative grades, SAT scores, class ranking, scholastic activities, personal references and other indicators of potential success. Please note, selection of recipients is not based in any way on race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin or any handicap.

Once a scholarship has been awarded, Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc. assumes no further responsibility for the conduct, personal affairs or debts of scholarship recipient. Likewise, the Board specifically reserves the right to modify or discontinue the program at any time.

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TJ ZAPPULLA, REALTOR® Scholarship Grant**

Academic Excellence and Scholastic Achievement

**APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

1. All Applicants: Please fill out the attached "Application for Scholarship" in its entirety and submit it to Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc. via email to [assistant@litchfieldboard.com](mailto:assistant@litchfieldboard.com) no later than **April 3, 2018**.
2. All Applicants: Along with your completed application, please submit an essay (as outlined on the attached "Essay Guidelines" sheet) via email to [assistant@litchfieldboard.com](mailto:assistant@litchfieldboard.com) no later than **April 3, 2018**.
3. All Applicants: Submit the enclosed transcript request to your school's record office in order to have a transcript sent to you and forwarded to Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc. no later than **April 3, 2018**.
4. All Applicants: Please submit the "Advisor's Evaluation Form" to your counselor's office requesting that it be completed and returned to you and forward it, along with any additional recommendations you may have via email to [assistant@litchfieldboard.com](mailto:assistant@litchfieldboard.com) no later than **April 3, 2018**.
5. All Applicants: When submitting an "Application for Scholarship" and its related documents via email the Board office will respond via email to confirm receipt. If you don't receive a response contact the Board office to ensure your email was received. For any documents that are sent via mail please contact the Board office in appropriate time frame to ensure the documents were received. If you do not hear from the Board Office, this means we did NOT receive your information, contact us immediately!

**APPLICATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 3, 2018**

In order to ensure that your application will meet the deadline, it is recommended that you have all of the required items forwarded to you (if permitted) and that you attach them to your completed application and forward the entire package to Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc. Incomplete applications will not be considered and we are not responsible for lost, late or misdirected correspondence.

Any official correspondence should be addressed to:

Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc.  
TJ Zappulla, REALTOR® Scholarship Grant  
21 Prospect Street, Suite E, Torrington, CT 06790

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**APPLICATION PART I**

Please follow the attached instructions. Applications must be received by **April 3, 2018**.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION.

**APPLICANT'S INFORMATION**

NAME (Last) (First) (Middle)

HOME ADDRESS (# & Street) (City) (State) (Zip) (Phone)

HIGH SCHOOL ADDRESS

EMAIL ADDRESS DATE OF GRADUATION

**REALTOR MEMBER'S INFORMATION**

REALTOR® MEMBER APPLICANT'S RELATIONSHIP TO REALTOR® MEMBER

REALTOR® MEMBER'S FIRM

**PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN'S INFORMATION**

PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN'S NAME HOME ADDRESS (if different from applicant's address)

OCCUPATION NAME OF EMPLOYER

**Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc.  
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**APPLICATION PART II**

PLEASE LIST ANY AWARDS/HONORS YOU HAVE RECEIVED: (Academic, Athletic, Community-related, Occupational, etc.) (Give Dates)

|    | NAME  | DATE  |
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PLEASE LIST THE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES IN WHICH YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED: (Academic, Athletic, Offices Held, etc.)

|    | NAME  | DATE  |
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PLEASE LIST THE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN WHICH YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED: (Cultural, Community-related, etc.)

|    | NAME  | DATE  |
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PLEASE LIST ANY JOBS OR INTERNSHIPS YOU HAVE HELD:

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PLEASE LIST THE COLLEGES HAVE YOU APPLIED TO, AND INDICATE ANY YOU HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED TO:

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WHAT TYPE OF CAREER ARE YOU INTERESETED IN PURSUING?

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WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO STUDY IN COLLEGE?

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HOW DO YOU PLAN TO USE YOUR STUDIES TO ACHIEVE YOUR FUTURE CAREER PLANS?

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DO YOU LEARN FROM YOUR MISTAKES? GIVE AN EXAMPLE.

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WHAT IS YOUR BIGGEST SUCCESS?

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PLEASE LIST YOUR STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES:

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WHO OR WHAT IS YOUR INSPIRATION?

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WHAT CHARACTER TRAITS DO YOU POSSESS THAT HAVE HELPED YOU TO OVERCOME PERSONAL ADVERSITY?

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HOW HAVE YOU BEEN A LEADER OR DISPLAYED LEADERSHIP QUALITIES?

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DESCRIBE HOW YOU ANTICIPATE MAKING A CONTRIBUTION TO SOCIETY:

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WHY WILL THIS SCHOLARSHIP HELP YOU IN YOUR CAREER GOALS?

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## **ESSAY GUIDELINES**

All applicants must submit an essay to be eligible for a scholarship.

There is no specific topic for the essay. The Committee is interested in finding out more about you! In addition to your school activities, what do you feel you have accomplished academically, what your goals are, involvement in extracurricular activities, what jobs or volunteer work you have done and what civic activity/community involvement you might be especially proud of. The Committee is looking for information that weighs not only your academic achievements, but also your scholastic accomplishments and future goals.

The only requirements for the essay are as follows:

1. Essay **must** be typed and double spaced
2. Length: Minimum - one page  
Maximum - three pages

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**TRANSCRIPT REQUEST**

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Applicant's Name (print)

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Applicant's Signature

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Applicant's Address

**SCHOOL RECORDS OFFICE:**

The above named individual is applying for the Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc. REALTORS® Scholarship Grant. In order to process his/her application, we need to have an official copy of his/her complete transcript. We also need the results of any tests (including SAT) which the candidate has taken. The information is to be held in confidence and we thank you for your assistance.

**SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE IS APRIL 3, 2018**

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**ADVISOR'S EVALUATION FORM**

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Student's Name

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School Attending

**ADVISOR/COUNSELOR:**

The above named individual is applying for a Litchfield County Board of REALTORS®, Inc. REALTORS® Scholarship Grant. In order to aid the Scholarship Committee in making their very difficult selection, we would appreciate your assistance in completing the attached Evaluation Form and returning it no later than **April 3, 2018**.

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 3, 2018**

**EVALUATION FORM - PART I**

1. What do you know of this student's intellectual qualities? We are especially interested in any evidence you can give about the nature of his/her motivation for academic work, the originality, independence and sensitivity that he/she displays in course work and the quality of performance as compared to that of classmates. For instance, is this student self-directed or driven by pressures from family or from status? Is this student studying for his/her own satisfaction or for grades? Does this student pursue studies beyond assignments or does he/she have to be prodded?

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2. How would you judge the use that this student makes of his/her time? For instance, does he/she participate in any extracurricular community or creative activities?

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