

GUIDELINES FOR UCOWF SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Conference Sponsorships are to encourage, promote and assist members financially who wish to obtain further education and training to enhance their knowledge and skills as an investigator or as a supervisor by attending the Annual Training Conference.

UCOWF will waive the Conference Registration fee and pay up to \$500 each for up to ten (10) individuals to attend the United Council on Welfare Fraud's annual training conference. (\$5,000)

To be considered for this sponsorship applicants must be working in their job/field for at least 2 years. Applications should be submitted along with an essay of 200 words or less what their job duties are and why the applicant feels they deserve this sponsorship, no later than February 1, for the board's consideration at the Mid-Year Board Meeting.

Applicants are eligible to receive the sponsorship only once. Active Board Members or Vendors are ineligible.

UCOWF Business Manager will forward all applications to the Membership Chair to review with Membership Committee members. The Membership Committee shall work with the Finance Committee to determine the number of Sponsorships to be awarded each year. A report shall be made to the board at the Mid-Year board meeting on the number of Sponsorships that will be awarded.

Should the number of applicants exceed the number of Sponsorships to be awarded, the Membership Chair shall select a sub-committee comprised of 3-5 members of the Membership Committee to determine the Sponsorship winners and 3 alternates. The alternates will remain on the list up to 30 days prior to the conference. Thirty days prior to the conference it is recommended that all sponsorships be suspended. In case a Sponsorship winner should be unable to attend, they will be replaced by one of the selected alternates.

Should there be fewer applicants than the number of Sponsorships that the Finance Committee has agreed to fund, the Membership Committee Chair would need to notify the Finance Committee Chair and together the two Committees would need to make the decision on whether to award a Sponsorship to an individual that applies after the deadline.

Membership Chair shall notify each Sponsorship winner no later than April 1.

