



## The South Carolina State Firefighters' Foundation Guidelines for Chief Louis Behrens Scholarship

Chief Louis Behrens was Fire Chief in The City of Charleston for 25 years and was a faithful member of his department for a total of 58 years. Chief Behrens was the creative visionary and a co-founder of the South Carolina Firefighter's Association, as well as its first President. Chief Behrens worked to promote and led the South Carolina Firefighters' Association for 27 years. Chief Behrens works tirelessly to get the Fireman's Fund Bill, in 1910, known today as the One Percent Fund.

The South Carolina Firefighters' Foundation has established an annual scholarship to honor the dedication and love that Chief Louis Behrens gave to the citizens of the State of South Carolina and South Carolina's fire service.

The South Carolina State Firefighters' Foundation (the "Foundation" - a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization) will annually present this \$1,000.00 scholarship.

For application, please review the information below. The contents will outline the background and criteria for this scholarship. After reading, then complete the required questions.

The application period will open annually from February 1st through April 30th. Applications will be available on the South Carolina State Firefighters' Association ("Association") website. The Foundation and Association will promote the scholarship through its many platforms.

Once the application period closes, the Foundation Chairman, or his designee; will ensure completion of the application. All completed applications will be sent electronically to and reviewed by the Foundation Board to determine awardees.

Applicants must be: 1) members of the South Carolina State Firefighters' Association and their immediate family; 2) in good standing with his/her agency and the Association; 3) must complete the application; 4) offer a letter of support from the applicant's Fire Chief; and 5) provide a general reference letter of support from a person of the applicant's choosing.

Applicants will also be asked to fill in an information form, with the application, to allow the foundation to provide post awarding statistical information on applicants and awardees. This information will not be used to determine the awardees.