



## The South Carolina State Firefighters' Foundation Guidelines for The Sam Carbis Scholarship

Sam Carbis invented the aluminum fire ladder and launched the Alco-Lite ladder (Sam Carbis Solutions Group, LLC) brand in his garage in 1930. This developed into an industry which changed the face of the fire service forever. Today Alco-Lite Ladders (Sam Carbis Solutions Group, LLC) can be found proudly supporting firefighters around the world.

To demonstrate that support, Sam Carbis Solutions Group, LLC (Alco-Lite) annually gives \$1,000.00 to the South Carolina State Firefighters' Foundation in honor of Sam Carbis. These funds are used to provide scholarships for **South Carolina volunteer firefighter recruit training**.

Please review the information below, it will outline the background and criteria for this scholarship; then complete and submit the application online. As part of the application, the applicant must also scan and submit a letter of support from their fire chief and a letter of support from anyone of their choice. Applicants will also be asked to provide a statistical form with all applications to allow the foundation to provide statics of applicants and awardees. This information will not be used to determine the awardees.

The application period will **open on February 1<sup>st</sup> and close on October 31<sup>st</sup> each year**. 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 review the applications. All completed applications will be reviewed by the Foundation Board to determine whom the scholarship will be awarded. The Foundation Board and Sam Solutions Group, LLC can provide one or more scholarships as agreed by both organizations.

Applicants must be members of the South Carolina Firefighters' Association and in good standing with his/her agency and the Association.

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The South Carolina State Firefighters' Foundation (the "Foundation"- a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization) and Sam Carbis Solutions Group, LLC will present this scholarship annually during the South Carolina State Firefighters' Association's Fire Service Improvement Conference.