

AL FORTHAN MEMORIAL RECOVERY SCHOLARSHIP

Eight scholarships will be awarded in 2010, one specifically to a senior from Jefferson (Al's alma mater), Benson, Franklin, Madison, Marshall and Roosevelt High Schools. One scholarship will be available to students from the other Portland Public High Schools. The final scholarship will be open to students from addicted families all over Multnomah County (questions for this scholarship will differ from those listed below); the amount for that scholarship is \$2,500. The other scholarship amounts are \$1,000.00 each and are awarded based on essay responses to all of the following questions:

1. Describe how alcohol and drug addiction has impacted your school community and some of the possible solutions to this problem. (1 ½ pages typed and double-spaced)
2. Describe how alcohol and drug addiction has impacted low-income persons and communities of color. Do you believe it is different from the majority community and for those with more money? (1 page typed and double-spaced)
3. Describe how you have provided service work to improve the quality of your community. (1/2 page typed and double-spaced)
4. If applicable, please describe any income barriers you face to your higher education.



Essays are due April 5, 2010. Please include your address, phone number, e-mail and what school you attend so we can contact you. Please note: *Students may apply for more than one scholarship, but may only win one. Family members of MRC employees are not eligible to win.*

The purpose of the scholarship is to honor Al, encourage students to explore how addiction has impacted our community, and to think about solutions to this complex problem. Al was the first alumnus to work at the MRC. He worked from his heart and brought love, wisdom, integrity, humility, and a deep passion and commitment to recovery. Al touched the lives of hundreds of men and was the ultimate role model of recovery.

Essays can be e-mailed to gstone@voaor.org

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