**Scholarship Information and Criteria**

MPI Texas Hill Country Chapter members may be eligible for scholarships offered by the chapter from the listed scholarships below. **Applications for scholarships can be submitted at any time.** To apply, complete the scholarship application below and submit to the MPI THCC Scholarship Committee via email at scholarships@mpithcc.org. All applications will be evaluated on a point system as explained in this document. Recipients will be notified within one month after submission. Recipient names may be announced in the MPI Texas Hill Country Chapter “Under the Oaks” e-newsletter.

* **CMM Registration Assistance – up to $500**
* **CMP Conclave - $395**
* **CMP Recertification - $225**
* **CMP Study Group and/or Exam Registration – up to $650**
* **Monthly Fee Offset Scholarship - $125 (for monthly educational sessions)**
* **MPI Preferred Member Dues and Chapter Participation Assistance – up to $359**
* **MPI Preferred Member Dues and Global Event Participation Assistance – up to $359**
* **Southwest Showcase – up to $150**
* **Student Scholarship – $70 (must prove student status with copy of student ID; used for meeting fees and/or membership fees)**
* **Texas Education Conference (TEC) – up to $350 (registration fee + 1 night hotel)**
* **WEC Registration Fee Scholarship – up to $1000 (planner) or up to $1200 (supplier)**

Scholarships will be awarded to members that show a confirmed need, such as unemployment or employer does not reimburse for educational conferences, etc. Award payment can be made to recipient (if fees were paid personally and with documentation of personal payment) or to the entity requiring payment. Monies received can be used toward specific scholarship items, including registration, meals, hotels, travel or other related expenses as indicated above.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

* Applicant must be an active member in the MPI Texas Hill Country Chapter for 12 months or more at the time of application and award.
* Members are eligible for up to one scholarship item awarded per fiscal year (July 1 – June 30).
* Recipients have 12 months to use scholarship funds from the time of award; after 12 months funds are no longer available.
* See next page for an explanation of the scholarship points rating system and the minimum points required in each category to qualify for consideration.
* Award recipients are required to provide a short comment for marketing purposes within 2 months of scholarship disbursement on how the award helped the member. Comments and questions should be submitted to MPI THCC Scholarship Committee via email at scholarships@mpithcc.org**.**

**Scholarship Point Rating System**

**Minimum Requirements for Applicants**

* To be eligible for a scholarship from MPI Texas Hill Country Chapter, general members and board members must earn a minimum amount of points indicated in the application.
* The point system for rating scholarship applications is listed below with the maximum points an applicant can earn in each category. At the end of each section is the MINIMUM POINTS REQUIRED for that section.
* MPI THCC Scholarship Committee members will rate each scholarship application using this point system.
* Details submitted will be verified with the Chapter Administrator.

**Category I: Chapter Involvement**

 Active member of MPI at least 12 months prior to application submission – 2 points

 Active member of MPI for 13 months to 5 years – 4 points

 Active member of MPI for 6 to 10 years – 5 points

 Active member of MPI for 10+ years – 6 points

 Minimum Points Required: 2 points

 For MPI THCC Board Members: 2 points

**Category II: Chapter Volunteer Leadership** Committee Member 2 points for each committee in the past 1 year
 Committee Member 0.5 points for each committee in the past 5 years
 Committee Chair/Board Member 5 points for each leadership position held in the past 1 year
 Minimum Points Required: 2 points

 For MPI THCC Board Members: 10 points

**Category III: Professional Designations**

 Professional Designations 3 points for each designation

 Minimum Points Required: 0 points

 For MPI THCC Board Members: 0 points

**Category IV: Chapter Participation**

 Number of meeting attended will be verified with Chapter Administrator (includes board meetings)

 1-5 meetings attended 2 points

 6-10 meetings attended 4 points

 11-15 meetings attended 6 points

 16 or more meetings attended 8 points

 Minimum Points Required: 2 points

 For MPI THCC Board Members: 8 points

 **Category V: Professional Growth and Financial Need**

 An essay written outlining why you are applying and how you intend to use the award.

 Minimum Points Required: 5 points

**MPI THCC Scholarship Applicant Information**

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| First Middle Last   |
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Select 1 or more scholarships you would like to be considered for, rank the scholarship items by preference. Applicants are eligible for up to 1 scholarship that meets the minimum points indicated.

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| **Scholarship Requested** |
| **Check** | **Preference (1= first choice)** | **Scholarship Item and Amount** | **Minimum Points Required** |
| [ ]  |  | CMM Registration Assistance | Minimum Points: 18For MPI THCC Board Members: 32 |
| [ ]  |  | CMP Conclave | Minimum Points: 18For MPI THCC Board Members: 32 |
| [ ]  |  | CMP Recertification | Minimum Points: 14For MPI THCC Board Members: 28 |
| [ ]  |  | CMP Study Group and/or Exam Registration | Minimum Points: 19For MPI THCC Board Members: 33 |
| [ ]  |  | Monthly Fee Offset Scholarship | Minimum Points: 12For MPI THCC Board Members: 26 |
| [ ]  |  | MPI Dues and Chapter Participation Assistance | Minimum Points: 18For MPI THCC Board Members: 32 |
| [ ]  |  | MPI Dues and Global Participation Assistance | Minimum Points: 18For MPI THCC Board Members: 32 |
| [ ]  |  | Southwest Showcase | Minimum Points: 12For MPI THCC Board Members: 26 |
| [ ]  |  | Student Scholarship | Minimum Points: 12For MPI THCC Board Members: 26 |
| [ ]  |  | Texas Education Conference (TEC) | Minimum Points: 16For MPI THCC Board Members: 30 |
| [ ]  |  | WEC Registration Fee Scholarship  | Minimum Points: 20For MPI THCC Board Members: 34 |

**Scholarship Points**

**Category I: Chapter Involvement**

 Membership Activated on (date): (mm/dd/yyyy)

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**Category II: Chapter Volunteer Leadership** (**Check all that apply**)

* **Current** is defined as contributions from the 12 months prior to application.
* **Previous** is defined as contributions prior to the 12 months listed as current.
* **Leadership** includes serving as chair or co-chair of a committee in the current year and/ or serving on the Board in the last two years.

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| **Current****(past 12 months)** | **Previous****(more than 12 months from this date)** | **Leadership (Chair or Co-Chair)** |  |
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| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | Communication Committee |
| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | Community Outreach Committee ― Austin (Sammy’s House) |
| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | Community Outreach Committee ― San Antonio (Senior Companions) |
| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | Education & Programs Committee |
| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | Leadership Development Committee |
| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | Membership Retention Committee |
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| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | New Member / Peer Program Committee |
| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | Noontime Network Committee ― Austin |
| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | Noontime Network Committee ― San Antonio |
| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | Registration Committee |
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| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | Texas Education Conference (TEC) Committee  |
| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | Under the Oaks E-Newsletter Committee |
| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | MPI THCC Board Member – 1 year |
| [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | MPI THCC Board Member – 2 years |

**Category III. Professional Designation(s) –** shown on information sheet

**Category IV: Chapter Participation**

**Attendance at MPI THCC Meetings in the past 12 months –** Awards Banquet, Educational Sessions, Noontime Networks (Austin / San Antonio), Southwest Showcase, TEC (Texas Education Conference), Leadership Day, MPI THCC Board of Directors Meetings, etc. Attendance will be verified by Chapter Administrator.

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List all events (and dates) attended. A separate paper can be added if needed.

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**Category V: Professional Growth and Financial Need**

 Write a short essay explaining your reasons for applying for this scholarship. Answers to the following four questions must be thoroughly covered in you essay. Please limit your essay to no more than 400 words. Use a separate paper if completing form by hand.

1. Why are you applying for this scholarship?
2. How will you benefit from this scholarship?
3. How do you plan to apply the additional knowledge and training you will receive in giving back to the meetings industry?
4. Why is this scholarship important to you financially?

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| Essay: (Box will increase in size with each hard return) |

**Additional pages may be attached as needed.**

This application is a correct representation of the requested criteria.

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MPI Member No. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Direct questions to:**

scholarships@mpithcc.org

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| **Scoring for Scholarship Committee ONLY** | Minimum PointsNon-Board | Minimum PointsBoard | Application PointsSubmitted |
| Category I: Chapter Involvement | 2 | 2 |  |
| Category II: Chapter Volunteer Leadership | 2 | 10 |  |
| Category III: Professional Designations | 0 | 0 |  |
| Category IV: Chapter Participation | 2 | 8 |  |
| Category V: Professional Growth and Financial Need | 5 | 5 |  |