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LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES



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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES ANNOUNCES THE 2010 BILL TAINTER AND THE 2010 ERNEST T. HAMILTON, JR. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

The 2010 Bill Tainter Scholarship Program is a program that will offer high school graduating students with disabilities, a financial opportunity to become more independent and self sufficient through higher education. This year the Program will offer five scholarship awards in the amount of \$1,000 each.

High School students who reside in the County of Los Angeles and meet the following criteria are encouraged to participate.

1. Students diagnosed with a learning or physical disability graduating/transitioning from high school to a community college, vocational/trade school, or four-year college; and
2. Students with a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 or better.

Additionally, the Commission will present one veteran with a \$1,000 scholarship award in memory of former Commissioner Ernest T. Hamilton, Jr. Commissioner Hamilton was a disabled veteran of the Armed Forces, a life long advocate for the disability community, who passed away in July of 2007.

Veterans pursuing higher education, regardless of age, and meet the following criteria are encouraged to participate.

1. Veterans who have a disability or disabilities;
2. Have been discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States under honorable conditions; and
3. Possess a valid DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD214), or any other official document(s) issued by the branch of service.

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Please note: Los Angeles County and the Los Angeles County Commission on Disabilities hereby advise the recipient of the Bill Tainter Scholarship or the Ernest T. Hamilton, Jr., that the amount received may be an asset subject to disclosure by the recipient. The recipient of the award acknowledges the receipt of scholarship fund may impact his/her eligibility to any currently enrolled public or other benefit program(s). The scholarship recipient bears sole responsibility to inform any public or other benefit program of the amount of scholarship he/she receives.

Application and more information about each Program can be accessed and completed by participant(s) through the Commission on Disabilities website at: www.laccod.org.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (213) 974-1053 or contact our office by logging onto www.laccod.org.

Thank you for your interest in the Commission on Disabilities.

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