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Bay Area Business Express Network of the American Business Women's Association Offers Impact Scholarship Worth \$2,000.

Oakland – The Bay Area Business Network of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) is offering 1 scholarship worth \$2,000 funded through the Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund to 1 deserving area student.

Each year, local chapters of ABWA provide Stephen Bufton Memorial Scholarships (SBMEF) to female students who will be attending accredited 4-year colleges and universities. Applicants must be citizens of the United States; residents of San Francisco Bay Area, California; entering as college freshman, sophomore, etc. in August 2022, with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Eligible women interested in applying for the scholarship should contact:

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Applications must be completed by May 15, 2022 at www.sbmef.org. A minimum of three (3) eligible completed applications are required in order for the scholarship to be awarded.

The scholarship recipient(s) will be notified in July 2022.

SBMEF, ABWA's national educational fund, is one of the most highly respected grant and scholarship funds in the country. For over 70 years, ABWA has helped women achieve their business and professional success through educational scholarships. Since its inception, more than 17,000 women nationwide have been awarded more than 17 million dollars in scholarships.

The Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund is a 501 (c) 3 charitable trust and public foundation. It has the same tax status as public schools, churches and community funds. The fund is listed in the U.S. Internal Revenue Service "Cumulative List of Organizations" described in Section 170(c) of the IRS code of 1954 – revised Oct. 31, 1974.

About the Bay Area Express Network and the American Business Women's Association. The **Bay Area Express Network** is a chartered Express Network of the American Business Women's Association established in 2015 whose vision is to Inspire...Empower and Connect.

Typically, members from the Bay Area Express Network meet the 2nd Saturday of each month at Preservation Park – The Ginn House 660 13th Street, Oakland, CA 94612 at 8:30 a.m. however, is currently meeting over Zoom.

More information about the leading association for working women and women business owners can be found at www.abwa.org or on Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/pages/ABW-A-A-place-to-connect-learn-and-grow/110652155635738>