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**6th Annual Ridge League of Cities Conference Scholarship to attend the
Florida League of Cities Annual Conference 2023**

The Ridge League of Cities will award up to four (4) **\$1,000 Conference Scholarships for municipal officials** to attend the annual Florida League of Cities (FLC) Conference to be held in Orlando, FL August 10-12, 2023. This opportunity is open to municipalities with a population of **9,000 or less** within the Ridge League of Cities.

The goal of the **Conference Scholarship** is to allow an elected official from your municipality who has not attended an Annual FLC Conference the opportunity to attend and aid in defraying cost.

There are many events that your city can benefit from attending such as:

- 1) Workshops to help expand services and save tax dollars
- 2) Updates on changes from this year's Legislature which directly affect your municipality
- 3) Q & A opportunities and member-driven networking

This list is just a handful of the benefits your municipality can gain from attending. Every year, the FLC Annual Conference attracts nearly 1,000 registrants. We hope this stipend will enable a representative from your municipality to participate.

To apply for the Ridge League of Cities Annual Conference Scholarship:

- 1) Your municipality must have a population 9,000 or less.
- 2) Your municipality's council/commission must send a letter (250 words or less) to the Ridge League of Cities nominating one representative from your municipality.
- 3) The nominated municipal representative must submit a letter (250 words or less) to the League explaining how they would benefit from attending the conference and include why they would be an ideal candidate to receive this award.
- 4) Scholarships will be offered first to elected municipal officials, then to appointed municipal charter officers (managers, assistant managers).

If approved, the municipal representative will attend the conference in August. The \$1,000 stipend is to be used toward the conference registration and as reimbursement for travel expenses. **Following the conference, the recipient must submit receipts to the Ridge League for food, hotel stay and transportation WITHIN 45 DAYS in order to be reimbursed. A letter summarizing your experience at the conference must also accompany the receipts.**

Both application letters must be received at bgreen@ridgeleagueofcities.org by June 23, 2023. Applicants will be notified whether or not they are selected by July 7, 2023.

Thanks,

Bobby Green, Executive Director
