## **IMPACT SCHOLARSHIP PRESS RELEASE**

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To apply, interested parties should contact one of these individuals to receive instructions for the application: Marcita Scharnhorst, Chair: (678) 646-7126, m\_scharnhorst@bellsouth.net; Robyn Young, Co-Chair, (404) 918-6262, y\_robin@bellsouth.net.

## For Immediate Release

Douglas County Charter Chapter # 1646 of the American Business Women's Association Offers an Impact Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.

Douglasville, GA– The **Douglas County Charter Chapter # 1646** of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) is offering one scholarship worth \$1,000 funded through the Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund to one deserving area student.

Each year, local chapters of ABWA provide Stephen Bufton Memorial Scholarships (SBMEF) to female students attending an accredited U.S. Technical College. To be eligible for the scholarship consideration, candidates must be women who (1) must be citizens of the United States; residents of either Douglas or Carroll County, Georgia; (2) are <a href="https://documents.org/attended-10.26">attending a technical college in August 2020</a>. The school must be licensed, accredited or state approved. Eligible women interested in applying for the scholarship should contact:

American Business Women's Association – Douglas County Charter Chapter #1646, Marcita Scharnhorst, Chair, mscharnhorst@bellsouth.net, Robyn Young, Co-Chair, vrobyn@bellsouth.net, or Rita Harris, rwilson30180@gmail.com.

Scholarship applicants must contact the co-chairs to have the online application initiated. A minimum of three (3) eligible completed applications are required for the scholarship to be awarded. Applications must be completed by May 15, 2020. The scholarship recipient(s) will be notified in July 2020.

SBMEF, ABWA's national educational fund, is one of the most highly respected grant and scholarship funds in the country. For over 60 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 Douglas County Charter Chapter-ABWA and the American Business Women's Association The Douglas County Charter Chapter-ABWA is a chartered chapter of the American Business Women's Association established in 1986 whose vision is to Create growth opportunities through Networking, Ideas, Change and Energy. Members from the Douglas County Charter Chapter-ABWA meet the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Red Lobster, 3100 Hwy 5, Douglasville, Georgia 30134.

More information about the leading association for working women and women business owners can be found at: www.abwadc.org or Facebook: ABWA-Douglas County Charter Chapter@ABWADouglasCountyCharterChapter. or National ABWA: <a href="https://www.abwa.org">www.abwa.org</a> or <a href="https://www.facebook.com/pages/ABW A-A-place-to-connect-learn-and-grow/110652155635738">https://www.facebook.com/pages/ABW A-A-place-to-connect-learn-and-grow/110652155635738</a>.