

Grand Chapter of Florida Order of the Eastern Star

November 8, 2023

To the Officers and Members of Subordinate Chapters

The ESTARL (Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership) has been a Florida Grand Chapter project since 1953. This fund provides financial assistance to deserving full-time students who are legal residents of Florida. These individuals are obtaining an education preparing them for leadership in various fields of religious service and we are blessed to be able to support them. Awards are made based on academic record, citizenship, character and financial need.

I am honored to be the Chairperson this year for the ESTARL Scholarship Program. It is my prayer that we will be able to serve even more students.

We are blessed to have been able to award grants to eight students thru the fall term. The Chapters that are sponsoring Students do not for get to send me updated Letters for the Spring term. Deadline is December 1st, 2023

As a 501(c)(3) – we must adhere to strict requirements. Thus, the application submission and approval process is very specific. As a sponsoring Chapter – please be proactive and supportive with your students. Make sure they know the deadlines and that you have acted upon all the requirements of the Chapter as well. All applicable forms are located on the Grand Chapter Website under Grand Chapter Charities. PLEASE feel free to contact me anytime if you have questions. Your District Chairpersons are also very well informed of the procedures.

My contact information is:

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Sincerely,

Larry Gillespie, Past Patron State Chairperson of ESTARL Sent with the approval of the Worthy Grand Matron