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## REGISTRATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 6, 2010

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Thank you for your interest in participating in the 3<sup>rd</sup> national Reclaiming Vacant Properties conference. We strive to make the conference affordable to everyone but understand that attending conferences can be expensive, and registration and travel expenses may preclude some from attending. To ensure that participation by a diverse set of stakeholders is possible, the scholarship program seeks to support representatives of grassroots organizations, community leaders, and public agencies that work closely with, or represent, lower-income or traditionally minority communities.

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### PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS

The Center for Community Progress seeks applicants who will benefit their communities and whose commitment to issues surrounding vacant property revitalization will be reinforced by their participation in the conference. Because we have only a limited number of scholarships, they will be limited to one recipient per organization or agency; however, please take advantage of the group registration rate for others interested in attending. Scholarships are awarded based on need and the extent to which participation will enhance the applicants' work back home.

- **Eligibility:** Eligible applicants are representatives from the nonprofit community, public agencies, and citizen activists.
- **Awards:** For the most part, scholarships will only cover registration fees (\$225\*.) In rare instances we will be able to contribute a limited amount towards travel expenses (\$250) but the costs will be reimbursed after the event.

Scholarship recipients must agree to:

- Respond to all requests for information and submit paperwork by established deadlines. *Failure to submit information as requested will result in the loss of the scholarship.*
- Attend the entire conference.
- Complete an evaluation of the conference.

\*The public/nonprofit registration rate is \$250. Scholarship awardees are responsible for \$25. Mobile workshops are not included.

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### IMPORTANT DATES

August 6	Application deadline
August 18	Scholarships awarded by this date (you will be contacted only if accepted)
August 31	Registration deadline for scholarship recipients
October 13-15	Reclaiming Vacant Properties Conference

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**E-mail completed applications to Courtney Knox at [cknox@communityprogress.net](mailto:cknox@communityprogress.net).**

# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

## Section 1: Letter

Please provide a brief (no more than 2 pages), typed letter addressing the questions below. Feel free to include web links and support materials you feel are relevant.

- Describe your organization's mission or your role in the community, your operating budget (if you're with a nonprofit, use your department budget if a public agency), and your community.
- Tell us how attending Reclaiming Vacant Properties will enhance your work, how you will participate during the event, and how you hope to share what you learn in your community.
- If you are requesting travel assistance, estimate your travel expenses associated with attending the conference. Because we have limited resources, please consider if you can cover your own costs so they can be allocated to those who need it.

## Section 2: Contact, Professional, and Demographic Information

*(this information is confidential)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Organization

My workplace is a: \_\_\_ nonprofit/ \_\_\_ public agency/ \_\_\_ other: \_\_\_\_\_

### General

I am applying for: \_\_\_ a registration scholarship/ \_\_\_ registration and travel/  
\_\_\_ without travel assistance I will not be able to attend the conference

### Which group do you identify with?

\_\_\_ American Indian or Alaskan Native

\_\_\_ Asian

\_\_\_ Black or African American

\_\_\_ Hispanic or Latino

\_\_\_ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

\_\_\_ White

\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_