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The IECF Disaster Relief Fund

the IEC Foundation Disaster Relief Fund accepts funding requests throughout the year from IEC chapter campuses, chapter staff, instructors, and apprentices that have recently endured hardship from a natural disaster and request financial assistance to help them with recovery. You may download the IEC Foundation Disaster Relief Fund guidelines on the IEC Foundation website.

For more information go to www.iec-foundation.org



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How the IEC and IEC Foundation Has Helped Me

By Ross Seilhammer



Ross Seilhammer is a former IEC Foundation Scholarship Recipient who is currently working Schneider Electric-Square D as an electrical engineer.

My name is Ross Seilhammer, I am currently 24 years old and originally from Central Pennsylvania. In July of 2017, I moved to Franklin Tennessee to train, and start working for Schneider Electric-Square D as an electrical engineer. I grew up in a small town as a simple country boy doing farming and working in the electrical construction industry. I graduated high school in 2011 and immediately started college at the Penn State Harrisburg campus to obtain my bachelor's in degree Electrical Engineering Technology, which I achieved in December 2016.

Throughout high school and college, I had the opportunity to work in the electrical field for SECCO, Inc. in Camp Hill Pennsylvania who is an IEC member. While working at SECCO, I had many opportunities to become friends with other IEC members and staff. The friends I have made within IEC have always supported and encouraged me with everything I have done. The IEC Foundation

has also been a major help in my years in college by contributing to my tuition through multiple scholarships. As a full time, student and a part-time electrician, I did my best to pay my own way. Not only did the IEC and the Foundation help me with tuition along the way, they also became the perfect conduit to put me in touch with my current employer as one of their new engineers. I can't express in words how much I truly appreciate the help and support I have received, and still receive today from the IEC. I am also happy to have the chance to give back, whether it is sharing my story, going to high school career days, or community service events. I look forward to what the future holds for IEC, scholarship recipients, members, and my career which was jumpstarted with the help of IEC.

Thank you so much!

Ross Seilhammer



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IECF Home Depot ProXtra Grant by Kevin McNulty





For Midwest IEC, the past two years have been exciting. It has been recognized by IEC as Chapter of the Year two consecutive years, and at the end of 2017, they moved into their brand-new training facility in Crown Point, Indiana. The move more than doubled the size of their training center. With the help of The Home Depot, \$8,000 in lab equipment and materials was on hand for the chapter's largest enrollment in several years.

"Without support from The Home Depot, I don't we could have accommodated our large classes this year," said chapter president Don Hulsey, of Hulsey Electric in Lowell, Indiana.

Board member John Evorik of Evorik Electric in Crown Point added, "Our new labs and additional resources from The Home Depot are adding tremendously to our training capacity. Midwest IEC has been serving the Chicago and Northwest Indiana region for over fifteen years. Their members have been active in both regional and national leadership positions over the years. Their Executive Director is Kevin McNulty, Sr.



The Home Depot ProXtra Program

The IEC Foundation received \$169,886.00 this year because of the success of the Home Depot Program in 2017. Thank you to the Home Depot for your continued support of our mission!

2018 Home Depot ProXtra Grant **Applications**

The 2018 Home Depot ProXtra Grant application is available to chapters on the Foundation website at: www. Iecfoundation.org.

The application deadline is April 20, 2018.

IECF 2018 Equipment Grants

Equipment Grant Requests for Proposals were due on January 31, 2018. Award letters will be mailed out to chapters on March 31, 2018. Thank you to our sponsors Eaton Corporation and Square-D by Schneider Electric.

The Home Depot ProXtra Program

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The IEC Foundation Equipment Grant Program

The IEC Foundation seeks to support not-for-profit organizations, to create opportunities Square-D by Schneider Electric.

IECF Scholarships

IECF Scholarship applications are due by May 18, 2018.



The IEC Foundation formed the scholarship fund exclusively for the charitable and educational purpose to award deserving and qualified students who have demonstrated drive, dedication and leadership in their pursuit of careers in the electrical industry.

The Foundation Scholarship Fund is offered to Independent Electrical Contractors (IEC) members and their immediate families, who plan to pursue post-secondary education in college or state accredited apprenticeship programs.

Contact us at **703-650-0048**

The deadline for 2018 scholarship applications is May 18, 2018. Scholarships range from \$500.00 to a maximum of \$1500.00 and can be used for tuition and textbooks. Awards for each scholarship winner will be paid directly to your IEC training center/college for your benefit.

For more information or to download the application visit our IEC Foundation website at: www.iec-foundation.org.

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