



2010 Linda Andersen Caregiver Scholarship

Education and access to training are some of the best tools we have to improve our standard of living. Access to education and training is especially important in the caregiving world which is a career that often employs low-income women. Caregiving as a career should never be a dead end job but rather should be filled with opportunities to learn and grow. To honor a long-time caregiver who passed away suddenly in 2009, Armistead Caregiver Services is offering the Linda Andersen Caregiver Scholarship. We want to honor her dedication to seniors, her teammates and Armistead with this \$1,000 scholarship. We also want to honor caregiving as a career by making access to education and training a little easier.

Criteria for Application:

Professional Caregiver for seniors or adults with disabilities; minimum of 2 years caregiving experience; works in any home, community or healthcare setting either for an agency or independently; 18yrs or older; legal resident of VT

Scholarship Requirements:

- a) Must apply money toward education/training that is related to the caregiver field. (i.e. Conflict Management, CareWell, Gerontology, Psychology, Nursing, Medical School, etc.)
- b) Provide a brief one page narrative report within the year to Community of Vermont Elders describing use of grant and its benefits and outcomes for applicant and clients served.

The Linda Andersen Caregiver Scholarship \$1,000 award will be presented in April 2010.

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Applicant Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____

In the space below and on additional sheets, as necessary, please tell us briefly about your caregiver role and experience; your professional goals; how you will use these funds to access education that supports these goals; how you envision this education will advance your practice to better serve your clients. You may also attach up to two testimonials by those who have received care from you.

Kindly return this completed form and testimonials *no later than March 31, 2010* to: **Susan Gordon, Caregiver Initiative Director, Community of Vermont Elders, P.O. Box 1276, Montpelier, VT 05602 * Phone: (802) 229-4731 * Fax: (802) 229-0156**
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