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## **Southern Berkshire Chamber of Commerce Announces \$2,000 Scholarship Program**

Great Barrington, MA-- The Southern Berkshire Chamber of Commerce (SBCC) is always searching for ways to enrich the local community and provide opportunities for entrepreneurs and leaders to succeed. The Board of Directors is pleased to announce a new opportunity open to members of the Chamber who would like to nominate someone from the local community to receive a scholarship in support of higher education, additional career training, or job certification.

Scholarships will be awarded in amounts ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 and will help promote young people and proven leaders within our community who are striving to learn, innovate, and achieve success here in the Southern Berkshires. “We are honored to announce this scholarship, which reflects the Chamber’s commitment to the individuals that make our businesses and nonprofits so great. We want to give our members a chance to appreciate some of the people they work with and who volunteer in our nonprofits by giving them a step up in their education or job training goals,” says Maria Rundle, SBCC board member and chair of the Scholarship Committee.

Nominees will be asked to submit a short application and awards will be publicly announced at the June 13<sup>th</sup> SBCC Business After Hours meeting at the Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center.

The nominee must be over 18 or in their senior year of high school, reside in one of the towns that the Chamber serves, and must have a connection to one of the Chamber member businesses or organizations. To make a nomination, contact the Chamber office at 413-528-4284 or email [betsy@southernberkshirechamber.com](mailto:betsy@southernberkshirechamber.com).

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