**Scholarship Award Contest**

The Cabell Brand Center for Global Poverty and Resource Sustainability Studies is proud to announce that we will be offering scholarships for college students interested in taking courses and volunteering in programs - "To Promote the Common Good" - relevant to any of the three goals of the Cabell Brand Center:

• Poverty issues focus on helping people become self-reliant.

• Environment issues focus on sustainability with particular emphasis on water and energy resources.

• Peace issues focusing on conflict resolution of local or global disputes.

Scholarships between $1000 and $2500 will be awarded. The number of awards offered will depend on the quality of applications as well as availability of funds. Scholarships will be awarded on a competitive basis.

 **Eligibility:**

- Applicant must be a US Citizen

- Applicants must be current undergraduate or graduate students who have completed at least one year of college education. Freshmen can apply for support during their sophomore year but rising high school students are not eligible.

- Applicant must have at least a 3.0 GPA

**Criteria:**

Application evaluation will be based on submitted essays. A winning essay will be exceptionally well-written without grammar and spelling errors and shall passionately express the applicant’s desire to pursue a volunteer or educational opportunity in one of the Cabell Brand Center’s goals noted above. In addition, the essay must comply with the requirements listed below. All materials must be submitted electronically before the announced deadline.

**Requirements:**

- Complete applications are due **JUNE 1st, 2014** to Angela Conroy at **aconroy10@gmail.com**with “2014 CBC Scholarship Contest” in the subject line. Attached files should include your name, either as a Word document or PDF.

1. Cover page

Please include a cover page with your contact information, the name of the college or university you attend, a statement confirming you meet the eligibility guidelines above and acknowledgement of the requirements. An example cover page is available below. Submission of your application certifies that all statements are true and accurate. False statements will result in immediate withdrawal of any funds awarded.

2. Essay

 Only one essay, totaling 1,500 words or less, is allowed per applicant. Essays should explain the student’s public service activities and goals, including any plans to enroll in college courses related to poverty studies, peace and conflict resolution, and environmental studies — courses that reflect the goals of the Cabell Brand Center.

 The essay should be based on who has inspired you to pursue these courses or volunteer programs and why. Students are expected to read the following (PDF available on the Scholarship page of the website) and choose one to write about OR write about what and/or who else has substantially inspired you to pursue a career in one of the three goals of the Center listed above.

* Cabell Band's book “If Not Me Then Who?”
* Glenna and Jack Burress’ bio
* Hap Fisher's bio
* Shirley Brand's bio
* Harlan and Debby Beckley's bio
* Freedom First 2010 Community Impact Report

**3. Reporting**

Winners MUST submit a follow-up report explaining how the Cabell Brand scholarship enabled them to participate in an outreach or educational experience and how it positively impacted their career in one of the Center’s three goals listed above. Pictures, videos or other supporting materials are encouraged. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in retraction of funds. This report is expected by March 31, 2015 at the latest.

The scholarship committee will carefully review all applications received by the deadline, midnight June 1, 2014. Award decisions will be announced in July via email and funds distributed on or before August 1, 2014.