



TO: Iowa Soil and Water Conservation Districts

FROM: Dennis A. Carney – CDI President

RE: CDI 2021 Scholarship Fund (Please send donations by September 1, 2020)

I am writing on behalf of the Conservation Districts of Iowa (CDI) to request a donation from your District to the 2021 Scholarship Fund.

In Calendar Year 2020, CDI awarded three state-wide scholarships and six regional scholarships.

In the past, when we gathered for our Annual Conference we held a live and silent auction of items donated by Districts. As you may recall, these auctions proved to be interesting, lively, and a highlight of the Conference. The proceeds from these auctions, generally about \$9,000.00 to \$10,000.00, were used to fund our scholarship program. In light of the coronavirus pandemic, our Annual Conference will not be held live in 2020; rather, our Business Meeting will be held via Zoom. Thus, our live and silent auctions will not occur.

However, CDI believes that the scholarship program is an integral part of our mission. Thus, CDI would appreciate a donation from your District towards the 2021 Scholarship Fund. Our goal is to raise a minimum of \$10,000.00 by September 1, 2020.

Please send your donation by September 1, 2020, to:
Conservation Districts of Iowa
315 East 5th Street; Suite 134
Des Moines, IA 50309

If you have questions, contact CDI office staff at admin@cdiowa.org or me at President@cdiowa.org

Thank you in advance for your donation to this most worthwhile program.