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## The Dan Schneider Child Welfare Executive Leadership Scholarship Fund

### Scholarship Information

The Dan Schneider Child Welfare Executive Leadership Fund was established in September, 2002 in recognition of Dan's lifetime achievements in child welfare in Ohio and nationally. As the Director of PCSAO from 1987-2001 Dan Schneider's accomplishments included: developing Standards for Effective Practice; publishing the PCSAO factbook; sponsoring the PCSAO conference for 14 years; increasing funding for child welfare at the federal state, and local level; strategic planning at the state and local level; co-authoring *Leadership In Child Protection* with Dr. Gary Crow; conducting focus groups throughout the nation to gauge the public's perception of child welfare; and securing a Congressional appropriation through HHS to create the National Network for Child Safety.

### Making a Contribution

Funding for this scholarship comes from private donations and specified agency contributions. PCSAO maintains and tracks these dedicated funds, but does not claim any administrative costs for the service it provides for this scholarship fund. All donations to the scholarship fund are tax deductible. Please make checks out to PCSAO (memo: Dan Schneider Child Welfare Executive Leadership Scholarship), and send them to PCSAO, 37 W. Broad St., Suite 1100, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

### Scholarship Application Guidelines

1. Scholarship candidates may include Ohio Public Children Services Agency directors, administrators, or several agency administrative staff from agency members of PCSAO that have actively contributed to the scholarship fund, or other public children services administrators as approved by the Board of Trustees. Only one application/program per county will be considered each calendar year.
2. Scholarships will contribute to the cost of training registration/course fees/ consultation including books, but shall not cover room/board or travel.
3. Scholarships require a 25% minimum match by the student/program or his/her agency.
4. Some of the courses that may be funded include: the John F. Kennedy School of State and Local Government at Harvard University, the Voinovich Center's Executive Leadership Institute at Ohio University, and other leadership programs including leadership mentoring programs, on-site leadership, coaching, or succession planning as approved by the PCSAO Trustees. The maximum amount for leadership mentoring shall not exceed up to 75% of the current amount of the Harvard costs. If several counties want to go together for one facilitator for leadership mentoring etc., the total would be up to 75% the Harvard costs plus \$1,000 per each additional county.
5. All applications will be reviewed on a first-come basis for each calendar year. An approved application may be put on a waiting list until funds become available. Trustees reserve the right to re-evaluate the application prior to final funding approval. *Applications from non-agency Directors must be accompanied with a recommendation letter from their local Director.*
6. Each RECIPIENT of the scholarship award agrees to share information or insight gained through their learning experience with other Ohio directors in the form of a short written summary, newsletter article, or training workshop.

**The Dan Schneider  
Child Welfare Executive Leadership  
Scholarship Fund Application Form**

Candidate(s) Name(s) / email

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Current title/Position(s)

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Leadership Program Applying for (Name, Location)

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Dates of Session(s)

Total Cost

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Agency Address

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City / State / Zip

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Date Application Submitted to Scholarship Fund

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Applications will be accepted on a first-come basis after January 1<sup>st</sup>, for each calendar year. Please submit a completed copy of this Candidate Information Form including all requested information to (614)228-5150 (fax), [Angela@pcsao.org](mailto:Angela@pcsao.org), or mail to:

**PCSAO, Attn: Dan Schneider Executive Leadership Fund  
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