

DETECTIVE RAFAELA A. VALDEZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Detective Rafaela A. Valdez, “Ralphie” joined NOBLE in 1987; In 1995, she spearheaded a petition for Associate Members to have a greater voice, within NOBLE, by creating an Associate Members Representative position on the NOBLE National Board; and in 1997, because of Ralphie’s successful advocacy, Associate Members voted historically, for the first time on the National level. The Detective Rafaela A. Valdez Memorial Scholarship Award is dedicated to assist in the furtherance of education for an Associate Member who embodies the spirit, commitment and vision for proficiency and excellence in self, and for the community served, as “Ralphie” exuded dedication, commitment, proficiency, and excellence in her service to NOBLE, and the community.

The Detective Rafaela A. Valdez Memorial Scholarship Award application is open to all Associate Members who meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Financially current with both National and Local Chapter dues;
- ✓ Registered to attend an accredited post-secondary Institution (demonstrated by receipt);
- ✓ Applicant may be enrolled in the discipline/major of their choice;
- ✓ Current students must demonstrate (by transcript) at least a 2.5 GPA;
- ✓ Submit an essay, to include details on how the Award will assist you in your current role as a NOBLE Associate Member, in service to the Community;
- ✓ Completed applications must be received by April 30, 2024 and sent to dr.kenterrell@gmail.com in a .pdf format.
- ✓ The Award is valued at \$1,000. The full amount will be provided to the recipient once all criteria have been satisfied and is only awarded to the recipient once.

The decision process will be conducted by the current NOBLE Associate Member Representative, in collaboration with select Associate Members in good financial standing with National, and their Local Chapter.

The Award Recipient will be selected from the applications received by the prescribed deadline, and in time for family, friends, and colleagues to submit a congratulatory ad in the 48th Annual NOBLE Training & Exhibition Conference commemorative journal. The Detective Rafaela A. Valdez Memorial Scholarship Award will be presented during the 48th Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Dr. Kenneth Terrell

NOBLE National Associate Member Representative

“NOBLE Associate Members: Next Level!”

**Detective Rafaela A. Valdez Memorial Scholarship Award
(Application)**

Applicant Name: _____

Applicant Address: _____

Applicant Contact No.: _____

Applicant NOBLE Chapter: _____

Applicant Employer: _____

If you are still active in your Agency/Department, please indicate your last promotional exam and/or anticipated promotion date: _____

Name of Post-Secondary Accredited Institution you will attend:
(Please provide a copy of Bursar Receipt)

If Applicant is currently enrolled in a Post-Secondary Accredited Institution, please provide copy of transcript indicating minimum GPA of 2.5.

Please attach your essay, to include details of how the Award will assist you in your current role as a NOBLE Associate Member in service to the Community.

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