## **IMPACT SCHOLARSHIP RELEASE**

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## **For Immediate Release**

## Western New York Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association Offers : SBMEF Impact Scholarship : Worth \$2,000.00

*Buffalo* – The *Western New York Charter Chapter* of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) is offering *a* scholarship worth \$2,000 funded through the Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund to one *deserving* area student.

Each year, local chapters of ABWA provide Stephen Bufton Memorial Scholarships (SBMEF) to female students who will be attending accredited U.S. colleges, universities or community, vocational or technical schools. Applicants must be citizens of the United States; residents of Erie or Niagara County; have completed a minimum of 60 credit hours by August 2023 and attending a Western New York college accredited degree program, *with* a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Eligible women interested in applying for the scholarship should contact:

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Applications must be completed by May 1, 2023 at <u>www.sbmef.org.</u> A minimum of three (3) eligible completed applications are required in order for the scholarship to be awarded. The scholarship recipient will be notified in *July 2023.* 

SBMEF, ABWA's national educational fund, is one of the most highly respected grant and scholarship funds in the country. For over 65 years, ABWA has helped women achieve their business and professional success through educational scholarships. Since its inception, more than 17,000 women nationwide have been awarded more than 17 million dollars in scholarships.

The Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund is a 501 (c) 3 charitable trust and public foundation. It has the same tax status as public schools, churches and community funds. The fund is listed in the U.S. Internal Revenue Service "Cumulative List of Organizations" described in Section 170(c) of the IRS code of 1954 – revised Oct. 31, 1974.

About the Western New York Charter Chapter and the American Business Women's Association

The *Western New York Chapter* is a chartered Chapter of the American Business Women's Association established in 1952. ABWA's vision is to have a positive community influence by bringing together business women and providing opportunities to help them grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support, and national recognition. Members from the WNY Charter Chapter of ABWA meet monthly from September through June with additional networking events throughout the year as well.

More information about the leading association for working women and women business owners can be found at <u>www.abwa.org</u> or on Facebook

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