

D. A Certificate of Award may be presented to the recipient. Payment is issued directly to the accredited school of their choice, with instruction naming the intended recipient. Funds are for the recipients use while pursuing studies in preparation for full-time religious service. Money is to be issued by the school as needed for books, tuition, board, clothing or medical aid.

E. The various ESTARL Committees should see that the awards are announced through secular and religious press whenever possible. Public presentation of the Awards should be made by the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Matron or their representative, or by a member of the ESTARL Committee.

#### IV. RESPONSIBILITIES OF COMMITTEES

##### A. General Grand Chapter ESTARL Committee

1. Is responsible for national promotion and publicity.
2. Is to be a resource for help in the organization of the program on the state and international levels.
3. Will cooperate with national officers of various religious groups, with the National Council of Churches, Seminaries, and similar organizations to give maximum publicity to the ESTARL Project.
4. Will be responsible for collection of information about the progress of the ESTARL Project in the several Grand Jurisdictions and present a report to the Triennial Assembly, with participants of the program present for national and international recognition, if possible.

##### B. Grand Chapter and Subordinate ESTARL Committees

1. Are responsible for state and local promotion, publicity and raising of funds.
2. Are to set up programs for the selection of recipients.
3. Instruct the proper Officers to issue payment to accredited, designated schools (after securing support from these schools to the program).
4. Make decisions as to the continuation of the Awards in each case, under their jurisdiction, beyond the one-year period.

ESTARL is a General Grand Chapter project in which we urge you to become a part. We are proud that the Order of the Eastern Star is known throughout the world for sponsoring Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership.

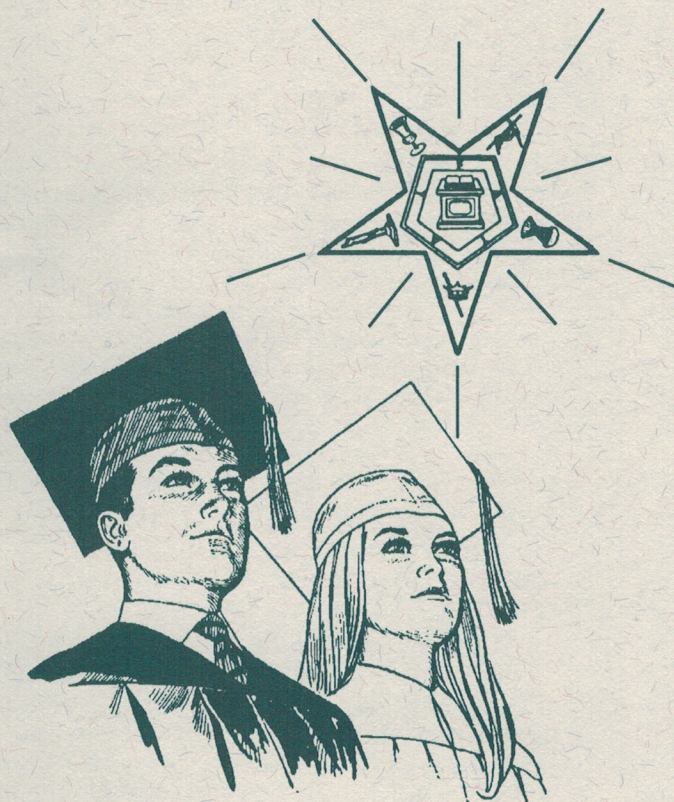
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# EASTERN STAR

## Training Awards

### for

## RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP



*He made the stars, also. And God set them in the firmament of the heaven, to give light upon the earth.*

*Genesis 1:16-17*



At the Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in 1952, approval was granted for the establishment of Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership. By this action, all members of the Order are encouraged to give enthusiastic and generous support to this program which aims to help an increasing number of individuals who wish to dedicate their lives to full-time religious service and to assist them with their financial preparation through the establishment of ESTARL.

It is important that every member of the Order become involved in publicizing the availability of these ESTARL Awards for the spiritual leaders of tomorrow. Our future depends on those who will touch other lives through His Holy Word. Please circulate information about ESTARL to high schools, seminaries, churches and those who have already taken their place in Religious Leadership.

**STUDENTS:** This pamphlet will familiarize you with the details of the ESTARL Project. The Order of the Eastern Star is anxious to assist you with financial aid in preparing yourselves for full-time religious service.

## I. PROCEDURE

### A. APPOINTMENT BY WORTHY GRAND MATRON OF EACH GRAND JURISDICTION

An ESTARL Committee shall be appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron of each Grand Jurisdiction to consist of not less than three (3) members and will be responsible for the promotion of the ESTARL Project in its Grand Jurisdiction; solicitation of funds; screening of candidates on basis of academic record, citizenship, character, and financial need; selection of individuals for Awards; presentation of Awards; contacts with individuals in training; and public relations connected with the Project. These ESTARL Committees are to cooperate with the General Grand Chapter ESTARL Committee.

### B. APPOINTMENT BY WORTHY MATRON OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

An ESTARL Committee shall be appointed by the Worthy Matron of each Chapter under the jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter, to consist of not less than three (3) members. These committees are to be named as suggested for Grand Chapter Committees and will act in the same capacity. They will cooperate directly with the General Grand Chapter ESTARL Committee.

C. The money raised for this project in each jurisdiction is to be used to benefit applicants selected by that jurisdiction. In order to receive credit on the books of the General Grand Chapter, it is required that each Grand Chapter or Subordinate Chapter Under the Jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter forward their funds collected to the Office of the Right Worthy Grand Secretary. Funds received from Grand Chapters will be

immediately returned to their Grand Jurisdictions for local use. Funds received from Subordinate Chapters Under the Jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter will be held in trust or returned as instructed.

D. Upon receipt and verification of an application, a Subordinate Chapter Under the Jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter may grant Awards, using funds held in trust or a direct contribution through the Office of the Right Worthy Grand Secretary. Distribution will be made directly from her office to the recipient's school with a request for acknowledgment of receipt to the donor Chapter.

## II. APPLICANTS

A. Eligibility will be determined entirely by the ESTARL Committee in each Grand Jurisdiction and each Chapter Under the Jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter.

B. Recipients for Awards may be chosen as each Jurisdiction's rules apply.

C. At least three (3) character references are suggested from any of the following areas: Ministers, Church Leaders, an official endorsement of the religious group in the organized body in which the applicant wishes to serve or from the accredited school in which the applicant is currently enrolled.

D. An applicant need not be of Masonic or Eastern Star affiliation.

E. Full academic record of applicant must be furnished with the application to the committee.

F. The Order of the Eastern Star does not discriminate in granting these Awards on the basis of age, race, color, national or ethnic origin or religious belief in the administration of its scholarship program.

## III. AWARDS

A. The awards are to be made to applicants preparing for leadership in various fields of religious service, such as:  
Ministers  
Missionaries  
Directors of Church Music  
Directors of Religious Education  
Counselors of Youth Leadership

B. Awards may be variable in amount determined by the Jurisdiction or Committee, on the basis of funds available, number of applicants, and need of the individual.

C. Awards are to be made for one year, subject to renewal on the basis of total record.