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MARIKA TOWNSHEND TRAVEL GRANT APPLICATION

To help our members participate in PCPI by coming to the annual meeting, PCPI established and now honors longtime cooperative preschool advocate with the Marika Townshend Travel Grant program. The 2010 annual meeting will be a celebration of the PCPI 50th Anniversary, and will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana April 23-25, 2010. Please consider attending the festivities as well as the opportunity to exercise your membership vote, network with likeminded co-op people and attend educational sessions.

Grant applications must be received by Friday, February 5, 2010.

ELIGIBILITY AND CRITERIA

- All PCPI members – individuals, schools, councils – are eligible for a travel grant to attend the PCPI Annual Meeting. Schools and councils may sponsor teachers, staff, board members or other interested members.
- Applicants must have an interest in PCPI activities and a desire to gain new knowledge and experiences to benefit cooperative preschools.
- Funds will be used to cover costs associated with attending the PCPI annual meeting (registration, lodging, travel expenses).
- Grant recipients will be reimbursed after the meeting upon submitting expense receipts.
- PCPI has budgeted funds available for the 2010 Marika Townshend Travel Grants as well as funds donated in Marika's memory, which continue to be accepted and are tax deductible in the US. The number of grants and amounts for each will vary depending upon need and funds.
- Grant recipients are expected to attend the entire meeting. While the schedule is not complete at this writing, attendees should expect to begin on Friday, April 23rd and adjourn by Sunday evening.

To apply for a 2010 MARIKA TOWNSHEND TRAVEL GRANT, complete the application information on the next page. Send that information, along with a letter of recommendation from your school, council or a fellow PCPI member to Linda Henegar, linda.henegar@verizon.net. Email is strongly preferred and it is fine to answer all the questions on the following page, rather than using the actual form. Please email the letters of reference also. If you do not have access to email, information can be mailed to Linda Henegar, PCPI – Grant App, P.O. Box 230327, Tigard, OR 97281-0327 USA. **All applications sent by postal service must be received prior to February 5, 2010.**

Additional information about the 2010 PCPI 50th Annual Meeting will be posted as it becomes available - visit the PCPI website at www.preschools.coop.

**Application deadline is Friday, February 5, 2010.
Receipt of application materials will be acknowledged.**

Applications will be promptly reviewed by the Marika Townshend Travel Grants Committee and awardees notified quickly in order to facilitate travel planning.

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A. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Name: _____
2. Address: _____
(street) (city/province/state/country) (zip/postal code)
3. E-mail: _____
4. Phone: _____
5. Applicant is a: Parent__ Teacher__ Board Member __Other (specify)_____
6. Applicant's PCPI Membership is through: _____
7. Positions held by you in the parent cooperative movement:

Name of Organization	Position(s) held	Dates
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
8. Have you ever attended a PCPI meeting before? ____ If so, when? _____
9. How much funding are you and/or your cooperative able to provide to attend the meeting? \$ _____
10. What is the maximum travel grant amount you are applying for? \$ _____
11. Would you agree to have a roommate for accommodations? _____

B. Using no more than a single letter size sheet of paper, answer the two following questions.

- Explain why you would like to attend this meeting.
- How do you feel this meeting would benefit your cooperative?

C. Please attach a letter of recommendation from your school, council or a fellow PCPI member.