



JON DENZER
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Apprenticeship Assistance Program

The Jon Denzer Bear Hug Foundation announces the Apprenticeship Assistance Program. Under the Program, grants will be awarded to young adults accepted into qualified Apprenticeship programs in the Central Illinois area. The grants will be awarded for assistance with the purchasing of necessary tools, personal protection equipment and transportation costs in the pursuit of completing an Apprenticeship in a skilled trade. These grants of up to \$500 will be awarded on a monthly or on an as needed basis.

Program Guidelines:

- Young Adults with a High School Degree or equivalent (GED) interested in pursuing an Apprenticeship in the skilled trades (e.g. electrician, plumber, and carpenter, steamfitters, etc.).
- Applicant will be accepted into a qualified Apprenticeship program, be willing to work hard and commit to a self-supporting career path. Refer to the following site for approved Apprenticeships-- www.westcentralbtc.org
- Applicants must provide evidence of financial need. (Tax return or latest pay stub)
- Grants will be used to purchase tools and equipment directly or issued to the apprentice as applicable.
- Applicants must provide a copy of the letter of acceptance into the Apprenticeship program and statement from the organization advising the Foundation that the applicant is in good standing with the applicable program.

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C/O Carol Denzer

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Mail one copy of a completed and typed application package to:
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 Apprenticeship Assistance Program
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or email to jonsbearhugfoundation@gmail.com
(This includes application and letters of reference and proof of financial need)

Applications may be downloaded from the Jon Denzer Bear Hug Foundation website at:

<https://jonsbearhugfoundation.com>

Please submit any questions to: carol.denzer@gmail.com

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Please type your answers. <i>Use an additional piece of paper if necessary</i>	
1.	Last Name: _____ First Name, Middle Initial: _____
2.	Mailing Address Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
3.	Daytime telephone number: () _____ Email address: _____
4.	Date of birth: Month Day Year
5.	Name and location of High School include date of graduation or date GED was obtained:
6.	Describe your career interests and reasons why you think you should be considered for an apprenticeship grant.

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	City:	State:	Zip:
	Phone of parents or legal guardians:	Work phone:	

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR APPLICANT

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent, that if chosen as a grant winner, my picture may be taken and used to promote the Jon Denzer Bear Hug Foundation Apprenticeship Assistance Program. (Recipient may waive photo due to unusual or compelling circumstances.)

I hereby understand that I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this grant.

Signature of grant applicant: _____ **Date:** _____