Mountain Empire
Community College Foundation

Food City/Friends of Coal
Scholarship for Coal Industry Impacted Students

Application Deadline: February 3, 2017

The Mountain Empire Community College Foundation is pleased to announce the availability for the *Food City/Friends of Coal Scholarship for Coal Industry Impacted Students* for the Spring 2017 semester.

Earlier this year, Food City and Friends of Coal of Pikeville/COA partnered to design special commemorative reusable shopping bags, sold on Earth Day 2016. Each bag was filled with valuable Food City exclusive brand merchandise and retailed for $10.00 plus tax. 100% of the proceeds from the bag sales were presented to local colleges to provide scholarships for displaced minors, their spouse or their children wishing to continue their education.

The total amount of funds available at Mountain Empire Community College is $5,250.00 to support seven (7) $750.00 scholarships.

To be eligible for consideration the student must:

- Virginia resident for tuition purposes
- A current/former employee of the coal industry (documentation required)
- A dependent spouse or child of a current/former employee of the coal industry (documentation required)
- Enrolled Spring semester 2017 for credit courses
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 if enrolled prior to Spring 2017.
- Have completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Priority consideration for these scholarships will be for students enrolled full-time who need assistance with tuition and fees.

The application deadline for consideration is **Friday, February 3, 2017**. Incomplete applications and those not containing the appropriate documentation will not be reviewed.

Submit your application to the Financial Aid Office located in Godwin Hall.

STUDENT NAME: _____

STUDENT ID NUMBER: _____

Please check the box that applies to your relationship with the current/former coal industry employee:

___ Current employee of the coal industry Employer Name: Work Location:	___ Former employee of the coal industry Employer Name: Dates of Employment:
___ Dependent **child** of a current/former employee of the coal industry Parent's Name: Parent's Employer: Parent's Work Location: Parent's Dates of Employment:	___ Dependent **spouse** of a current/former employee of the coal industry Parent's Name: Parent's Employer: Parent's Work Location: Parent's Dates of Employment:

Please see next page.

Please attach a copy the current/former employee's W2 for the most recent year of work in the coal industry OR a copy of their layoff/closure notification. Applications without this documentation will not be considered.

_____ Copy of W2 is attached.

_____ Copy of layoff/closure notice is attached.

I certify that the information I have provided on this application is accurate. I understand that by submitting this application, I grant permission to MECC to provide information pertaining to my academic records and relative financial need to the scholarship donors. I understand that if selected as a scholarship recipient, I will be required to submit a thank you letter to the donor and to attend the MECC Foundation Scholars Recognition Night during the spring semester. I agree to have my photo taken individually with my donor(s) for publicity purposes.

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Student Signature

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Date