

# ASHLAND'S TECHNOLOGY FUTURE, INC.

A Non-Profit Organization



## THE MISSION STATEMENT

To empower the people of Ashland, WI to thrive in the technology-driven economy.



## THE CURRENT VISION

We aim to achieve our mission through initiatives that improve technology career opportunities for Ashland's people.

- **Short-Term Plan:** Offer a one-time, annual scholarship to 1-3 Ashland High School Seniors who will be pursuing a higher degree in a technology field. Begin to grow a network of scholarship recipients (or “ATF Scholars”) that will become part of the “ATF Scholars Network”.
- **Mid-Term Plan:** Continue to fund scholarship awards with donations and community fundraising events. Begin mentorship program by pairing ATF Scholars with Ashland High School students interested in technology careers.
- **Long Term Plan:** Expand scope by offering consulting to community businesses, technology programs to the community, and expanding awareness to UW School System to recruit volunteers. Continue to offer the annual scholarship funded through donations and fundraising events as well as continue to develop the ATF Scholars Network and Mentorship program.

# THE SCHOLARSHIP



**Idea:** Technology jobs often demand a higher education in computer science or related. Our scholarship aims to relieve some of that financial burden.

**Application Criteria:** 1500 words or less describing how the student could use their technology education to improve Ashland.

Tentative Awards (depending on donations)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$1,000
- Two Runners-Up: \$500 each

**The Network:** All winners will become part of ATF Scholars Network. This network will help to mentor other Ashland students and alumni interested in technology and giving back to Ashland.



## WHY A NON- PROFIT?

- Tax exempt status provides donors with an opportunity to make tax deductible contributions and allows for scholarship awards to be tax-exempt.
- Creates a network of individuals pursuing the same cause as a unified public charity.
- Encourages long-term, positive community involvement and growth in Ashland.





## HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Are you interested in getting involved in one of the following roles ...

- Board member?
- General member?
- Member of the scholarship selection committee?
- Future volunteer?

If so, please contact us:  
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