UWT-BGCSPS GREAT FUTURES FUND

General Information & Program Overview

The purpose of the University of Washington Tacoma (UWT) and the Boys & Girls Clubs of South Puget Sound (BGCSPS) Great Futures Fund is to provide financial support and practical work experience for UW Tacoma’s students as they serve as mentors to underprivileged youth in the nine (9) branch clubs associated with the Boys & Girls Clubs of South Puget Sound.

The UWT-BGCSPS Great Futures Fund has two (2) distinct programs, the Great Futures Scholarship and the Great Futures Public Service Internship. The Great Futures Scholarship launched fall of 2012, while the Great Futures Public Service Internship program will be implemented for the 2013-2014 academic year.

Great Futures Internship Program
The purpose of the Great Futures Internship program is to provide opportunities for UWT students to perform public service with a BGCSPS branch up to 20 hours per week. This paid internship shall provide UWT students with meaningful experiences in BGCSPS’s programs and operations. The internships will be awarded on a quarterly basis, subject to renewal, with a preference given to students who have received a Great Futures Scholarship or who have previously been awarded a Great Futures Internship. Additional information about the internship program can be obtained from the Office of Student and Enrollment Services at UW Tacoma.

Great Futures Scholarship
The purpose of the scholarship will be to cover tuition and standard student fees for each scholarship recipient for one academic year at UWT. The scholarships will be awarded on an annual basis for incoming freshmen. Recipients of the Great Futures Scholarship will meet the following criteria:
1. Enroll at UWT after graduation from high school;
2. Be named as a Club Youth of the Year recipient by a local branch of BGCSPS or a qualified BGCSPS club member who meets Club Youth of the Year standards;
3. Meet additional eligibility criteria as determined for admission to UW Tacoma:
   a. Complete UW Tacoma Freshman Application by April 1
   b. Submit FAFSA with UW school code 003798 by April 1
   c. Complete scholarship acceptance agreement by June 1
   d. Submit Enrollment Confirmation Fee by June 1

UWT and BGCSPS will select scholarship recipients from a list of qualified candidates by April 15th; notification will be received shortly after April 15th. In order to qualify for scholarship, please complete steps 3a and 3b by published deadline and notify your BGCSPS Club Director of your interest.