ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Congresswoman Jennifer Dunn-Thomson was a strong leader and supporter of free-market principles and a friend to small businesses and taxpayers. After her death in 2007, her widower Keith Thomson approached WPC about honoring his late wife through a scholarship to support students interested in public policy. Recipients can use the funds to pay for tuition at an institute of higher learning or to finance a summer internship on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC.

IMPORTANT DATES

- July 3rd: Application window opens
- August 18th: Application window closes
- August 19th - 22nd: Internal reviews and summaries created
- August 22nd: Submit summaries to board for review
- Week of August 28th: Interviews with finalists
- September 5th: Winner announced

REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must be Washington State residents and enrolled as an undergraduate or graduate student during the 2023-2024 academic year. They must at least be finishing their second year of education at an institution of higher learning. Applicants must hold an above-average GPA with good oral and written communication skills. Applicants do not need to be members of Washington Policy Center in order to be eligible.

HOW TO APPLY

Applicants must submit the following documents to apply for the scholarship by the August 18, 2023 deadline:

» Resume
» College Transcript (official preferred)
» 2 Letters of Recommendation
» 1 writing sample from a public policy or another applicable course
» 1 Page essay explaining how the applicant would benefit from receiving the scholarship and how it would allow him or her to honor the legacy of Jennifer Dunn Thomson

Upload your application to https://washingtonpolicy.org/publications/page/JD Tapp and fill out the form.

Questions about the scholarship can be sent to the Director of the Young Professionals Program, Lia Knight at lknight@washingtonpolicy.org.