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Union Privilege Scholarship Program *Helps Develop Leadership Diversity*

Washington, DC— Applications for the Union Leaders of the Future Scholarship are now available.

Embracing its mission to enhance the value of union membership and support a stronger labor movement, Union Privilege offers the Union Leaders of the Future Scholarship and Mentoring Program to help more women and people of color become union leaders.

The Scholarship Program provides annual awards up to \$3,000 to help future leaders with the cost of continuing their education to pursue their union career goals and leadership skills. The Mentoring Program helps women and people of color set and reach defined union leadership goals. Selected mentees are matched with current leaders in the labor movement.

Scholarships are funded by the Union Plus Education Foundation and can be used for tuition, books and travel for leadership training at accredited labor schools, colleges, universities and community colleges.

Applicants, who may be union members, leaders or staff, will be asked to write an essay on how their leadership goals and aspirations will help strengthen the labor movement.

The Union Plus Leaders of the Future Scholarship Program has awarded \$74,000 to 28 winners to help them pursue their union career goals and leadership skills.

To learn more about the program and to download the application, visit **www.UnionPlus.org/DiversityScholarship**. All applications must be postmarked by May 30, 2009. Scholarship winners will be contacted by July 7, 2009.

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