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**PUBLIC RELATIONS FOUNDATION TO AWARD SCHOLARSHIP**

The Emerald Coast Public Relations Foundation awards a $1,000 scholarship to graduating seniors planning to pursue a college degree in the areas of public relations, communication, marketing or journalism.

 Applicants must be high school seniors residing in Okaloosa, Walton or Santa Rosa counties, with a GPA of 3.5 or higher, a U.S. citizen, and planning to pursue studies in public relations, communication, marketing or journalism.

In addition, applicants are required to submit a brief essay addressing an ethical issue in public relations or journalism and a list of demonstrated leadership or community service.  The award will be paid directly to the college or university to which the recipient has registered.

The Foundation has, in the past few years, awarded six $1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors from Crestview, Niceville, Pace, Gulf Breeze, Choctawhatchee and Fort Walton Beach High Schools.

Deadline for applications, electronically or by mail, is Tuesday, March 15, 2022.  The application and additional information are available in high school guidance counselors' offices and at [www.ecpro.org](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Cjwpurka%5CDocuments%5CECPRO%5CECPRO%20Foundation%5CScholarships%5C2020%5Cwww.ecpro.org).

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