
Annual Conference Sponsorship Program

CRITERIA:

To apply for a sponsorship, you must meet the following criteria:

- Current member of WTS International and affiliated with Central Florida Chapter.
- Attended at least two WTS Central Florida activities within the year prior to your sponsorship submission.
- Current employment in the transportation industry or if not currently employed, demonstrate at least a 1-year minimum prior employment history in the transportation industry.
- The recipients will be required to make a presentation to the WTSCFL Board summarizing the conference activities and provide a write-up for use in the annual report.
- Sponsorship applications will not be accepted from members that are receiving sponsorship support for attendance by WTS International.
- Recipients are required to maintain their membership for a one-year minimum period after receiving sponsorship or they will reimburse the chapter fifty percent (50%) of the total costs provided by the chapter for attendance.

SPONSORSHIP PROVISIONS:

WTS Central Florida's Sponsorship for WTS International Annual Conference, **May 7-9, 2025 in Toronto, Canada**, covers,

- \$1000 towards registration and any WTS International Annual Conference event(s)
- \$500 towards travel and hotel accommodations
- All other expenses for tours and/or professional development will be the responsibility of the sponsorship recipient.
- Recipient will be reimbursed for allowable expenses upon submitting an expense report with associated receipts.

Instructions:

Submit your sponsorship application and supporting documents in pdf format via email to board@wtscfl.com with a "Sponsorship Application" subject by **April 11, 2025**. Sponsorship applications are reviewed by the Professional Education Committee, which will recommend to the Chapter's Board of Directors for a vote. Upon a vote, the recipient will be notified. Note that if a Professional Education Committee member applies for this sponsorship, they will be removed from the review committee.

Requirements / Supporting Documents:

1. Completed application coversheet.
2. Summary of your WTS International and Chapter activities and involvement over the past one year. WTS Central Florida Chapter specific activities may be given higher scores. Please identify luncheons and community service participation by the event name and, if available, provide the date of the activity.
3. Responses to the following questions (limit to one letter size page, 12-font single-spaced with 1" margins total):
 - a. How long have you been a member of WTS International? How long have you been a member of the WTS Central Florida Chapter?
 - b. Are you an active member of the WTS Central Florida Chapter (member of the board, involved in a committee, or other active support of the chapter)?
 - c. How has WTS benefited you personally and professionally?
 - d. What do you hope to gain from attending?
 - e. How do you plan to share what you learn at the conference when you return?
 - f. Include any additional information up to the one-page limit that you feel will be pertinent to the selection committee.
4. Statement of understanding and agreement to compose a post-conference debrief (conference materials, up to one-page summary on benefits of attendance, and conference photos for the unlimited use by the WTS Central Florida chapter) to be provided within one month after attendance and share your experience at the next scheduled WTS Central Florida event. Recipients are encouraged to post on social media during the conference.

Additional Information:

Any questions related to the sponsorship should be e-mailed to board@wtscfl.com with a subject of "Sponsorship Question(s)".



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APPLICATION COVERSHEET

GENERAL APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Job Title: _____

Company Name: _____

Preferred Contact Method: _____

Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

RELEASE FORM:

I have read and I understand the application and selection process. The information contained in this application is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

By signing this document, I:

- Pledge to attend the requested conference if awarded the WTS Central Florida Chapter sponsorship.
- Understand that I will be financially responsible for any costs not covered by the sponsorship.
- Certify that I have not received sponsorship from the WTS Central Florida Chapter within the past two years of this sponsorship's due date.

Name _____ Title: _____

Signature _____ Date: _____

All current WTS Central Florida members are eligible. The WTS Central Florida Board of Directors reserves the right to reallocate the sponsorship if less than three (3) applications are received. If a sponsorship recipient is unable to attend, their sponsorship cannot be transferred and will be forfeited.

Applications received after the due date indicated will not be considered.

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