The professional grant awards recipient(s) a waiver of conference registration fees, lodging and meals to attend the 2019 Southwest Park and Recreation Training Institute held Sunday February 3rd through Wednesday February 6th at Sequoyah State Park in Oklahoma on Ft Gibson Lake.

**Application Period:** Application must be digitally submitted by December 10th, 2018.

**Grant Award Decision:** Recipients will be notified of award by January 1st, 2019.

**Eligibility:** Candidates must be currently employed in the park and recreation profession and should demonstrate some need for financial assistance to attend the Institute. Candidates should exhibit a significant level of personal achievement and contribution to the profession and preferably have previous attendance at the annual Institute.

**Application Checklist:**
- Cover Letter
- Resume
- Letter of Recommendation

**Cover Letter:**
The cover letter should answer the following questions;
- How you are currently and actively involved in the parks and recreation field.
- Significant contributions and achievements you have made to the profession.
- Explanation of the financial need for the grant
- Your personal and organizational benefit to attending the 2019 Institute

**Resume:**
Highlight relevant work experience, education, recognition’s, publications, memberships in professional organizations, conferences attended, training, research, etc.

**Letter of Recommendation:**
Include one (1) letter of recommendation from a parks and recreation professional addressing your achievements that make you a quality candidate for this grant. This letter should focus on your commitment to the parks and recreation field, your accomplishments in the profession, and how attendance at the Institute would benefit your organization.

**Application Submittal:** **digital submission only**
Send your signed application along with required supporting documents by the application deadline to:
SWPRTI Scholarship Committee Chair       Bruce Divis       bruce.divis@travelok.com       580/592-4888

For more information on the Institute and its objectives in fostering, supporting, and promoting professionalism in the parks and recreation industry, please visit our website at SWPRTI.org

*I certify the information given herein is true and correct and may be used by the Southwest Park and Recreation Training Institute Scholarship Committee.*

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Signature of Applicant                          Date