



**The Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation
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The Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation *World Burn Congress* Scholarship provides financial assistance, up to \$1,000.00, to cover cost involved in participating in Phoenix Society's *World Burn Congress* four-day conference. Scholarship funds may be used for conference registration fees, travel and accommodations. This year the conference will be held in Anaheim, CA October 2 - 5, 2019. The Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation will be hosting a dinner reception for all scholarship awardees on Thursday October 3, 2019 attendance is highly recommended.

About the Phoenix Society's World Burn Congress:

The Phoenix Society's *World Burn Congress* is an annual international conference that brings together more than 800 burn survivors, their families, care givers, burn care professionals, and firefighters. It is a forum for encouraging and facilitating the sharing of stories, providing support and increasing knowledge of burn recovery. Whether you are a survivor, parent of a survivor, or a family member/caregiver you will find that *World Burn Congress* offers a healing environment for all. For many, it is the first opportunity to meet and share with others who have experienced a burn trauma. To learn more about the Phoenix Society and the *World Burn Congress*, visit www.phoenix-society.org.

Scholarship Requirements:

Qualifying applicants must be burn survivors, parent of a burn survivor, or family member/caregiver and had his or her life and livelihood impacted by the burn or is involved in the recovery of the survivor. Applicants must reside in California, have been treated overnight in a burn center (for burn survivors), demonstrate financial hardship and meet *at least one* the following requirements:

- Have attended or volunteered at (3) AARBF burn support groups, holiday parties, or an overnight recreational event;
- Have a recommendation from another California burn foundation for leadership and volunteerism within their programs as evidenced by letters of reference;
- Be a volunteer with burn survivor programs with the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation or other burn foundations; and/or
- Have been recommended to attend *World Burn Congress* by an affiliated Burn Center or Burn Care Professional.

Application Process:

In order to be considered for the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation *World Burn Congress* Conference Scholarship, all documents must be completed and submitted no later than July 26, 2019 at 5:00pm. An application must be submitted for each individual requesting a Scholarship (i.e. burn survivor and caregiver or spouse).

Other Important Dates:

Application Deadline	Status Notification	Conference Dates	Questionnaire Due at Conference
July 26, 2019 5:00PM	August 16, 2019	October 2 – 5, 2019	October 5, 2019 – 12 PM



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First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Gender: _____ DOB: ____/____/____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell (other) phone: _____

Email: _____

Check one: _____ Survivor _____ Parent of a Survivor _____ Family Member/Caregiver

Please provide names of all persons attending World Burn Congress: **(Each person seeking scholarship funding must complete a separate application)** _____

Please complete the following questions, giving complete details, attach additional pages if needed:

1. Please tell us about you. Include information about date of burn, cause of burn and where you are at in your recovery process. If you are a parent of a burn survivor or family member/caregiver please include information about the survivor, as well as what role you have personally played in the survivor's recovery process: Check if you want this information to be confidential

2. Are you involved in any other burn organizations/foundations? If so, please provide details.

3. Have you volunteered for or attended any Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation events? If so, what event, what year and in what capacity did you participate?

4. Have you attended *World Burn Congress* in the past? If so, please list the years you attended, whether you previously received a scholarship to attend and how attending benefitted you. Previously applied for and not received a World Burn Congress scholarship.

5. What do you hope to gain by attending this year's *World Burn Congress*?

6. Have you applied for financial assistance elsewhere to attend *World Burn Congress*? If so, where did you apply and how much did you request? Have you been notified about approval of any financial assistance? (Note: AARBF will contact partner burn foundations and organizations to verify the amounts received).

7. The Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation has a limited amount of *World Burn Congress* Scholarships to award. As much as possible, we would like to see applicants personally contribute and seek additional financial support for the *World Burn Congress*. Please list other sources of financial assistance and amounts you have secured or applied for:

Self: \$ _____ Family: \$ _____ Friends: \$ _____

Other Burn Foundations: \$ _____ Other: \$ _____

(Name: _____) (Name: _____)

8. Do you consider your financial situation such that without this grant you would NOT be able to attend *World Burn Congress 2019*?



AGREEMENT

I _____ (print name) agree to represent the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation appropriately at all times. As a recipient of the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation's *World Burn Congress Scholarship*, I understand that I must:

- Prior to the *World Burn Congress*, complete the scholarship application;
- Prior to the *World Burn Congress*, report any funds received from other resources including other burn foundations and organizations;
- Prior to the *World Burn Congress*, submit a completed Photo, Video and Media Release Form;
- At the *World Burn Congress*, attend all 3 days of the conference (exceptions may be considered);
- After the *World Burn Congress*, provide the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation with a quote to summarize how attending the conference proved to be beneficial, what did you like about the conference and what would you tell someone else about attending the conference;
- After the *World Burn Congress*, send any portion over and above the amount of the Scholarship to the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation no later than **three weeks** after the conclusion of the conference;

By signing, you certify that the information provided on this application is complete and correct to the best of your knowledge. You further certify that if you are chosen as a scholarship recipient, you will use the funds only for expenses related to World Burn Congress. You understand that all burn survivors, parent of a burn survivor or family members/caregivers will be considered for the World Burn Congress Scholarship, however burn survivors with the greatest financial need will be given priority.

Applicant Signature

Date

Printed Name

Date



PHOTO, VIDEO AND MEDIA RELEASE

The *Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation* needs your help and support in its work of providing educational programs about burn injuries. Often, as people become aware of how to prevent burns, they also want to support programs to help survivors of burn accidents. You can help our efforts to increase support for the valuable programs in which you participate. We need your authorization. Check next to the appropriate answer and then give your signature.

- Yes, I provide consent for the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation to use photographs and video of World Burn Congress for use on the AARBF website, newsletter and Facebook page. I understand that my last name, the cause of my burns, and any other sensitive personal information will not be revealed without my specific consent.

- No, I do not provide consent to use photographs and video of World Burn Congress for use on the AARBF website, newsletter and Facebook page. NOTE; checking this option does not disqualify you from being awarded the *World Burn Congress* scholarship.

Applicant Signature

Date

Printed Name

Date

Submit completed application to:
Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation
Attention: *World Burn Congress* Scholarship 2019
50 N Hill Avenue, Suite 305
Pasadena, CA 91106
Questions? Please call 1-800-242-BURN (2876)
Application Deadline is July 26, 2019 at 5:00p.m.