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PRACTICE ONLY - APPLICATION FOR A GROW FOUNDATION MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

All actual applications must be completed through the online portal.

Applicant's First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Parent Company Name: _____

Subsidiary (DBA) Name: _____

COMPANY Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Work phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

Work Email: _____

IG Link (Company): _____

IG Link (Applicant Personal): _____

Company Owner's First Name: _____ Owner's Last Name: _____

Company Owner's Email: _____

The person requesting the scholarship is:

_____ Owner

_____ Management

_____ Operations Manager

_____ Equipment Manager

_____ Sales Staff

_____ Chef



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_____ Line Cook

_____ Service Staff

_____ Other (please specify)_____

What is your main responsibility with your catering operation? _____

How long have you worked within the hospitality industry? _____

The catering operation is a: ___ for profit catering concern or ___ not-for-profit catering concern

The catering operation has been in business since: _____

Gross sales volume of the company (CHECK ONE):

$1,000,000 And Below _____
$1-3 Million _____
$3-5 Million _____
Over $5 Million _____

The catering operation has been in business since: _____

Has any member of your company attended a Cater+Event or Art of Catering Food conference in the past? ___ Yes ___ No

Please indicate conference name (s) and year(s):_____

Have you attended a previous conference? ____ Yes or ____No If yes, number of times: _____

Are you a past winner of an ICAEF/GROW Foundation Scholarship?
_____ Yes or _____ No – what year(s)?

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All Scholarships:

• All applications should submit a minimum of two (2) recommendation letters – one from the owner of the company (if not the applicant) and at least one other professional in the industry, up to three letters.

Answer the following questions completely and thoughtfully:

1) Why do you want to attend the Cater+Event Conference & Trade Show?

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2) What do you hope to learn at the conference?_____

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3) What is the value to your company of you attending this conference? _____

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4) How will you inform others within your organization about what you learn? _____

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5) How do you envision your future in the catering field? _____

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International Caterers Association Educational Foundation (ICAEF, now DBA as The GROW Foundation)
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6) What do you hope to accomplish or achieve? _____

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7) Please list any professional accomplishments relating to contributions to your current employer concerning cost savings, innovation, creativity, and/or leadership that have benefitted the company or industry. Have you received any special recognition from your company?

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8) Please list any educational opportunities you've participated in to further your career or professional activities you may engage in outside of your company.

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Award Terms & Conditions:

- If you leave the employment of your company prior to the conference, the scholarship will be rescinded. Scholarships are non-transferable.
- If your company is no longer in operation, we reserve the right to cancel this scholarship.
- All winners will automatically be a GROW Foundation ambassador.
- You acknowledge that you are responsible for securing and paying for your own travel and entertainment, including but not limited to airfare and ground transportation, lodging, meals, etc.

The scholarship includes a Cater+Event Conference package **registration for the conference. In addition, a $500.00 TRAVEL STIPEND will be paid to the COMPANY and**

paid post-conference, once the recipient submits their post-conference essay. Package does not include social functions – those are the responsibility of the recipient. Candidate is responsible for coordinating their own travel and expenses, including transportation, lodging, meals, etc.

- **All winners of a scholarship must attend the MANDATORY Recipient/Sponsor Reception that is scheduled for Monday, March 22, 2027 from 5-7pm at a location TBA.** A group photo will be taken at this time.

- **All winners must submit an essay** to The GROW Foundation post-conference outlining what receiving this scholarship from The GROW Foundation meant to you and how you will take that knowledge back to your company **no later than two weeks after the conference.** (Summary shall be no less than 300 words and be typed pages. This may be used for marketing purposes.)

- All winners will have their photograph taken by a professional photographer and the photo may be used for marketing purposes and posted on social media.

I acknowledge the terms and conditions of this award and certify that I personally completed this application. I also acknowledge that I have the endorsement of the owner of my company and a copy of this application will be sent to them.

Applicant's Signature_____ Date _____