The annual Wisconsin Towns Association Scholarship program is looking for your essay addressing the topic: "Why is town road investment important to economic development in Wisconsin?"

Your thoughts — combined with your writing skill and creativity — can put you in line to receive one of seven scholarships.

Rural Mutual Insurance Company, Wisconsin Towns Association, and Scott Construction, Inc. are again offering the following scholarships to winners of an essay contest. Scholarships will be awarded on the following basis:

- Two (2) $1,000 scholarships will be awarded, one each to the highest ranking boy and highest ranking girl from a town or village insured by Rural Mutual Insurance Company as of May 1, 2015.
- Four (4) $1,000 scholarships will be awarded, one each to two boys and two girls.
- One (1) $1,000 scholarship to either a boy or a girl who has the highest ranking below the previous four scholarships.

All applicants must be graduating from a Wisconsin public or private high school in 2015 and plan to attend a Wisconsin public or private college or vocational technical institute in 2015.

The two $1,000 winners may be among the five other scholarship winners. All winners will be determined by an independent panel of judges.

SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY REQUIREMENTS

1. Entrants must prepare an essay addressing the following topic: "Why is town road investment important to economic development in Wisconsin?"
2. The printed (not handwritten) essay should be between 500 and 1,000 words and double spaced.
3. The completed essay should be postmarked no later than May 30, 2015 and mailed to:
   Wisconsin Towns Association
   W7686 County Road MMM
   Shawano, WI 54166-6086
4. Essays must include a bibliographic listing of sources used.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The 2011-12 Wisconsin Statutes provide current information on the functions and authority of local government in Wisconsin.
- Essays will be judged independently on originality and subject matter in relationship to the topic. The essays must also contain correct spelling, grammar and punctuation.
- Judging will be completed by August 15, 2015.
- Recipients will be announced by August 15, 2015. Successful recipients are encouraged to attend the 2015 Wisconsin Towns Association Convention Banquet on Monday, October 26, 2015 at the Kalahari Resort & Convention Center in Wisconsin Dells, WI. Proof of enrollment in a college or institute of higher education will be required to receive a scholarship. A waiver will be allowed for students unable to enroll until the second semester following high school graduation.

Those are the rules. Now, on your mark, get set, WRITE!!