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### **ViVon Chapter – American Business Women's Association Offers \$1,500 Scholarship**

**Port Huron, Michigan** – The ViVon Chapter of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) is funding a grant through the Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund (SBMEF). Eligible applicants must (1) be a female U.S. citizen; (2) have completed 45 credit hours or more when applying for funds. Funds may be used when the applicant has completed 60 credit hours; (3) have achieved a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale; (4) be seeking a baccalaureate degree or higher; (5) be attending an institution authorized to confer degrees at the baccalaureate level or higher in the United States; (6) be sponsored by an eligible ABWA chapter/network. To apply interested parties should send name, email address and phone number to:

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Trustees of SBMEF serve as the selection board for this scholarship. Applications must be completed by January 31, 2012 at [www.sbmef.org](http://www.sbmef.org). The winner will be notified before July 2012. Each one-time grant is not renewable. A check will be issued jointly to the educational institution and the recipient. Funds are limited to tuition, books and fees.

Additionally SBMEF offers National Scholarships for women specific to Nursing, Business and Information Technology. For more information on these scholarship opportunities visit [www.sbmef.org](http://www.sbmef.org) after January 1, 2012.

#### **BACKGROUND**

ViVon Chapter of ABWA is part of a national network of businesswomen. Founded in 1949, ABWA is a 15,000 member strong association with Chapters and Express Networks nationwide, providing business skills training and networking opportunities for women of diverse occupations to enhance career advancement and personal development. ABWA has dedicated more than half a century to women's education and provided workplace skills and career development training for more than 565,000 members.

SBMEF is a charitable trust and public foundation. It has the same tax status as public schools, churches and community funds. The Fund is listed in the IRS "Cumulative List of Organizations" described in Section 170© of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 – revised Oct. 31, 1974. For more information about ABWA visit [www.abwa.org](http://www.abwa.org).

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