

PRESS RELEASE: 2014 NATIONAL WORDS MAKE PEOPLE SCHOLARSHIP

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
February 04, 2014

Contact: Imam Rashad Shahid
scholarships@famacopublishers.com

The ink of the scholar is more valuable than the blood of the martyr.—The Prophet Muhammed (Peace be upon him)

JACKSONVILLE, FL, — FAMACO Publishers, LLC and the Words Make People National Scholarship Committee are honored to announce the 2014 Words Make People Literary Excellence and Scholarship Award. Founded in 2006, the scholarship is named in honor of American religious scholar, community and business leader and humanitarian, the late Honorable Imam Dr. W. Deen Mohammed and is open to students of all faiths. Imam Mohammed inherited the struggle for dignity and economic justice through the African American saga and Islamic influence woven into the history of American Blacks both before and after slavery. He led millions to true Islam, dispelling false notions of race and religion to make his Community a world leader for the proper understanding and practice of Al-Islam.

Part of the Imam's legacy was his ability to inspire through the power of the written and spoken word; he stressed the important role words, whether in Scripture, higher education, or common communication, play in shaping critical thought and subsequent social, cultural, intellectual and moral expression. Imam Mohammed's mission and work, emphasizing religious scholarship, education, economic development, and the promotion of universal human excellence live on and continue to transpose a legacy of leadership onto the world stage.

FAMACO Publisher's Vice President and Chair of the National Scholarship Committee, Mukhtar Muhammad states, "The WMP Scholarship represents a natural progression in contributing to the advancement of the Imam's work and leadership. There are still many things unfulfilled that the Imam wanted to see and the Community aspires to achieve; we can't do it with yesterday's thinking. We need students who can think critically and then put pen to paper to inspire the highest level of introspection and performance into the 21st century and beyond...that's what the Words Make People scholarship is all about...investing in tomorrow's leaders today for a better community and society.

The "Words Make People" Award is a scholarship of at least \$1,000 and certificate given annually to a student who has demonstrated throughout his or her coursework, extracurricular activities, or vocation, the highest standard of excellence in written communication including creative writing, critical thought, research and analysis, exposition, or journalism. Past awardees have included honor graduates of the W. Deen Mohammed High School in Atlanta, Georgia. This year's applicants must be enrolled in or accepted by a full-time undergraduate (12 or more credit hours), graduate (9 or more credit hours), or professional program at an accredited university in the United States majoring in any field. Students awaiting acceptance notice from a University must receive acceptance not later than June 15, 2014. Final selection criteria include a weighted preference for current enrollment at or graduation from a secondary school in association with the leadership of Imam W. Deen Mohammed.

To download an application, meet the National Scholarship Committee or contribute, visit www.famacopublishers.com and click on the Scholarship link. Visit www.causes.com/WMPScholarship to support the Scholarship online. **Deadline for application is June 20, 2014.**

FAMACOSM Publishers, LLC is a privately held company founded in 1996. As a limited liability corporation, we're well into our second decade of delivering quality products and services for individuals, businesses and government. We're committed to being an industry leader modeling the best business practices including giving back to our community. From fundraising initiatives for non-profits and scholarship programs, to proprietary publishing encouraging interfaith cooperation, FPLLC has more than a printing mission...we're guided by a belief and comprehensive business approach that through the power of words, we can help remake the world. Visit www.famacopublishers.com.

Telephone 904.434.5901 • E-mail: scholarships@famacopublishers.com

###