

5. TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES;

6. ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF NONPROFIT ASSOCIATIONS; AND

7. ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ADVISORY COUNCIL REPRESENTING A FINANCIAL AID OFFICE AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

(5) (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE FOLLOWING WORKFORCE SHORTAGE FIELDS SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE GRANT PROGRAM:

1. ~~PUBLIC~~ SCHOOL TEACHERS (THE GRANT TO BE KNOWN AS THE SHARON CHRISTA MCAULIFFE MEMORIAL TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP);

2. NURSES;

3. CHILD CARE PROVIDERS;

4. DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, MENTAL HEALTH, CHILD WELFARE, AND JUVENILE JUSTICE PROVIDERS;

~~5. FIREFIGHTERS AND RESCUE SQUAD MEMBERS;~~

~~6.~~ 5. PHYSICAL AND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS AND ASSISTANTS; AND

~~7.~~ 6. PUBLIC SERVANTS (THE GRANT TO BE KNOWN AS THE WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER SCHOLARSHIP).

(II) THE COMMISSION MAY REMOVE A SHORTAGE FIELD SPECIFIED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH IF IN THE COMMISSION'S JUDGMENT THE FIELD NO LONGER QUALIFIES AS A WORKFORCE SHORTAGE FIELD.

(6) A GRANT RECIPIENT IN A WORKFORCE SHORTAGE FIELD THAT IS REMOVED FROM THE GRANT PROGRAM MAY CONTINUE TO RECEIVE RENEWAL AWARDS UNDER THE PROGRAM.

(F) EACH FISCAL YEAR, THE COMMISSION SHALL DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF GRANTS TO BE AWARDED IN ELIGIBLE WORKFORCE SHORTAGE FIELDS BASED ON THE:

(1) PRIORITY OF THE WORKFORCE SHORTAGE FIELD;

(2) SEVERITY OF THE WORKFORCE SHORTAGE IN THE FIELD; AND

(3) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

(G) (1) THE OFFICE SHALL ANNUALLY SELECT ELIGIBLE STUDENTS AND OFFER A GRANT TO EACH STUDENT SELECTED TO BE USED AT AN ELIGIBLE INSTITUTION OF THE STUDENT'S CHOICE.