



## **PARK-SIHOCKY AWARD FOR NEW CHAPTER SPONSOR**



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The Park-Sihocky is awarded to an SHH chapter sponsor in his or her first three years of sponsoring a chapter who has given exemplary service to the SHH during those years and has not attended an AATSP Conference. The awardee receives up to \$1500 to cover expenses to attend the AATSP annual conference (June 26-29, 2025) in Panamá, Panamá.

### **TRAVEL STIPEND:**

The travel stipend is to be used to help offset your travel expenses for the 2025 AATSP Conference. This travel stipend can only be used for conference registration, transportation directly related to your travel to/from the conference, lodging, and meals not covered by conference registration. It cannot be used for workshops, excursions, or personal expenses associated with the conference. It may not be transferred to or split with another sponsor.

### **NOMINATION:**

Any sponsor with an active SHH chapter may nominate another sponsor or himself/herself.

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Any sponsor who has had an active SHH chapter for three years or less.
  - a) The chapter must have remained active each of those years.
2. The sponsor must have submitted at least two student entries for SHH contests. (The contests can include the Senior Scholarship, the Junior Travel Awards, and contributions to *Albricias*)
  - a) To verify the entries, the sponsor must provide the student name, school name and the contests entered, including the contest year.
3. Sponsors who have been recognized in another way by the Sociedad (such as State Director of the Year) since 2019 are ineligible.
4. A sponsor can receive this award only once.

### **APPLICATION GUIDELINES:**

1. Sponsors must list the activities of their local chapter including any community service projects.
2. Sponsor applicants must show potential for future contributions to SHH and how he/she would benefit from the support and encouragement by completing the following:
  - a) Submit a one-page (250-word maximum) statement of how the sponsor and his/her chapter would benefit from attending the annual AATSP conference.
  - b) After attending the AATSP conference, the winning sponsor must agree to submit a second statement expressing the benefits of sponsoring an SHH chapter and attending the AATSP conference. This statement must be written in Spanish and consist of 300-500 words. The statement will be published online in a post-conference newsletter.

### **SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:**

- Complete the [Google Form application](#), including the list and description of chapter projects, and the statement of how the sponsor and chapter would benefit by the sponsor's attendance at the AATSP conference by **February 1, 2025**.
- E-mail [kscheetz.SHH@aatsp.org](mailto:kscheetz.SHH@aatsp.org) with any questions.
- The winner will be notified by **March 15, 2025**.

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[Click here](#) to submit your application. The form below is to assist the sponsor or nominator in gathering the information. All documentation should be included on the Google form **by February 1, 2025**. The winner will be notified by **March 15, 2025**.

Sponsor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Name \_\_\_\_\_  
School \_\_\_\_\_ Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
School Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Principal's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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**I agree to complete all of the requirements. I verify that all information provided is correct. I realize that if I am unable to attend the 2025 AATSP Conference another sponsor may be chosen in my place.**

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*If the sponsor nominating the applicant is other than the applicant, please complete the following:*

Name of Nominating Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

School and Chapter Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Nominating Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

The information below will be completed on [the Google form application](#).

1. List the names of **at least** two different students and the contests sponsored by the Sociedad which they entered. (National Spanish Exam participation does **not** count.)
2. **List of chapter projects:** Provide a list of chapter projects from the past one to three years. Of particular interest are the community service projects your chapter has completed.
3. **Description of AATSP conference benefits:** Write a description (250-word maximum) of how you and your chapter would benefit if you were to attend the annual conference.

**Post Conference Essay:** Write an essay in Spanish (300-500 words) about the benefits of sponsoring an SHH chapter and attending the AATSP conference to be published online in a post-conference newsletter. This will be sent to the SHH Director, Kelly Scheetz at [kscheetz.SHH@aatsp.org](mailto:kscheetz.SHH@aatsp.org)