Description: The purpose of this grant is to provide up to four (4) $250 grants per fiscal year to AERO members currently involved in the education and/or rehabilitation of persons who are blind and/or visually impaired. These grants must be used for research, conference registration fees and/or travel expenses relating to conference participation or to purchase materials for clients or students. Grant money will be awarded at the completion of the professional development activity, when receipts are submitted to the AERO Treasurer. Members may receive a Member Grant one (1) time every three years.

Selection: Selection is based on the evaluation of the materials submitted for examination by the AERO Executive Board.

Deadline: Up to a maximum of four (4) awarded per fiscal year, with no deadline to apply. Applications are considered at quarterly board meetings.

Qualifications: Applicants must meet the following qualifications to apply for a Member Grant:

- Member in good standing of AERO for a minimum of two (2) consecutive years.
- Current provider of services to individuals who are blind or visually impaired.
- Have not received a Member Grant within three (3) years of application.

To Apply: Applications shall be in the form of a letter or written request to the AERO Board. All requests should include:

- How you plan to use the money (for example: attendance at a specific conference, travel costs including hotel costs, transportation and meal reimbursement relating to a conference, registration fees or a class you will attend, etc.).
- How you or your students will benefit from the plan.
- An outline of expenses.
- How you will share your experience with other AERO members (for example: write an article for AEROGRAM, present at conference, present at a board meeting, etc.).

Applications should be submitted according to website specifications at: www.aerbviohio.org