

2018 MINNESOTA NAHRO EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Each year at the Spring Conference, Minnesota NAHRO awards scholarships for post-secondary educational programs. **In 2018 – 2 scholarships of \$1,000** will be awarded to student applicants who are sponsored by active Minnesota NAHRO Agency Members and selected as winners. **Each agency member may sponsor only one applicant. Scholarships may be used for any accredited post-secondary education program, except for graduate or post-graduate programs.**

TO BE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THE MINNESOTA NAHRO SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, AN APPLICANT MUST:

- Be a resident of a publicly-owned housing unit or a participant in a rent assistance program administered by a Minnesota NAHRO agency member.
- Be enrolled in a post-secondary program or be accepted into a post-secondary program beginning fall 2018.
- Education programs must be accredited and may not be graduate or post-graduate programs.
- Have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better on a scale of 4.0. (Applies to current students only.)
- **OPTIONAL:** For Applicant's with a household annual income at or *below 50% of the area median income for family size* as determined by HUD, they will also qualify for NCRC Scholarship program.

HOW TO APPLY:

- Return a completed application to your sponsoring agency member by **March 9th, 2018**.
- Applications can be downloaded at www.mnnahro.com

APPLICATIONS FROM HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- An essay (no more than 2 typed pages) detailing the applicant's goals, commitment to post-secondary education, and an outline of the applicant's career plan.
- The applicant's high school transcript mailed directly from the high school to the sponsoring agency.
- One letter of recommendation from a teacher or school official who is familiar with the applicant's academic performance.
- Information on educational institutions that have accepted the applicant, or where the application for enrollment has been made.

APPLICATIONS FROM ADULT STUDENTS MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- An essay (no more than 2 typed pages) detailing the applicant's goals, commitment to post-secondary education, and an outline of the applicant's career plan.
- The applicant's post-secondary transcript (if currently a student) mailed directly from the educational institution to the sponsoring agency.
- Information on educational institutions that have accepted the applicant, or where the application for enrollment has been made.
- One letter of character reference, achievements, or advancements from employer, community or religious leader, or anyone with significant knowledge of the applicant.

AWARD DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION:

- Sponsored applications will be reviewed and selected by the Minnesota NAHRO Scholarship Committee and will be announced on Friday, May 25th at the 2018 Minnesota NAHRO Spring Conference in Brainerd, Minnesota. Recipients will also be notified by mail.

TO SPONSOR AN APPLICANT, AN AGENCY MEMBER MUST:

- Solicit applications by posting notice of the scholarship availability and eligibility guidelines.
- Provide application forms to potential candidates.
- Select a sponsored applicant from submissions received.
- Submit nominee's completed application to Minnesota NAHRO by **March 16, 2018**

EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARD NOMINATING FORM

TO BE FILLED OUT BY SPONSORING AGENCY: Each member agency may submit one scholarship application to Minnesota NAHRO for any given year. The application together with the sponsor form and other supporting documentation must be submitted by **Friday, March 16, 2018** to:

Shannon Guernsey, Executive Director, Minnesota NAHRO,
 555 North Wabasha Street, #245, St. Paul, MN 55102

Sponsor Agency: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Email: _____

- Applicants household annual income at or *below 50% of the area median income for family size* as determined by HUD (required to qualify for NCRC Scholarship opportunity in addition to Minnesota NAHRO Scholarship opportunity)

Agency Comments On Behalf of Applicant: _____

I am submitting this Sponsorship for the Minnesota NAHRO Scholarship on behalf of my Agency and in support of the Application made by (Name of Applicant): _____

Signature of Authorized Representative of Agency: _____

* The number of scholarships awarded is dependent upon the number of applications received and the amount of scholarship funds raised by Minnesota NAHRO in the previous year.*

2018 MINNESOTA NAHRO EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION

DEADLINE: This application must be submitted to your **sponsoring agency** no later than **March 9th, 2018** so that it can be approved by the sponsoring agency and mailed to Minnesota NAHRO by **March 16th, 2018**.

Name (First, Middle, Last) _____
Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Name and Address of High School you expect to graduate from (High School Seniors Only):

Expected Date of Graduation: _____

Describe School or Community Activities and Achievements which provide evidence of personal motivation and initiative : _____

List of Schools to which you have applied for admission: (Name, Address, Status of Admission)

ATTACH WITH THIS APPLICATION

- Essay, 2 typed pages, detailing educational goals and career plan (all applicants).
- Letter of recommendation (high school applicant).
- Letter of character reference (adult applicant).

By submitting this application, I authorize my sponsoring agency and my high school to make available to the selection committee of Minnesota NAHRO, information concerning this application, my academic record and rank. I understand that award of the scholarship shall be governed by any and all conditions established by Minnesota NAHRO.

Signature of Applicant Date

Signature (Parent or Guardian signature for high school applicants) Date

Applicants must complete this application and requested attachments in order to be eligible. Return to your Sponsoring Agency by March 9th, 2018, to be nominated.