

DE NAHRO \$1,000 Scholarship Program

Guidelines and Application

Application Deadline—June 1, 2020

DENAHRO Scholarship Assistance Program Overview:

The purpose of the DENAHRO Scholarship Assistance Program (scholarship) is to help a graduating high school student to continue their education. The scholarship is an award of \$1,000 to a Delaware high school graduating senior who lives in subsidized housing defined as Project Based Section 8, Rural Development Section 515, Housing Choice Voucher, Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC), Delaware State Rental Assistance Program (SRAP), Public Housing, Habitat for Humanity Home, Self Help Homeownership Program or USDA Rural Development Homeownership Program. In addition, the \$1,000 award may be annually renewed by the recipient for up to an additional three years pending annual reapplication, compliance with the program terms, and annual approval by the Scholarship Committee and Board of Directors. Therefore, the recipient of a scholarship award can reapply annually for consideration of renewing the \$1,000 scholarship for up to an additional three years pending annual reapplication, compliance with the program terms, and annual approval by the Scholarship Sub Committee and Board of Directors. Total scholarship funds available to any one recipient can be up to \$4,000 over 4 years.

Guidelines:

1. The applicant must:
 - a. reside in subsidized housing defined as Project Based Section 8, Rural Development Section 515, Housing Choice Vouchers, Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), Delaware State Rental Assistance Program (SRAP), Public Housing, Habitat for Humanity Home, Self Help Homeownership Program, or USDA Rural Development Homeownership Program at time of application;
 - b. 2.5 Cumulative GPA or improvement each year with a 2.5 GPA in senior year ;
 - c. be a graduating high school senior from a High School located in the State of Delaware
 - d. provide 2 letters of recommendation:
 - i. one letter from a person in authority from the high school; and
 - ii. one letter from a community leader
 - e. submit a 500 word essay (typed using 12 pt. font and double spaced);
 - f. prove residency in subsidized housing by providing copy of Certification Form from Housing Manager;
 - g. submit copy of official High School transcripts with GPA;
 - h. provide list of extra-curricular activities in school and in the community; and
 - g. statement of estimated cost of education.
2. All entries must be sent to the Delaware Chapter of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (DE NAHRO), P.O. Box 7045, Newark, DE 19714-7045 and postmarked by **June 1, 2020**.
3. One winner will be selected to receive a **\$1,000 scholarship** to be used toward furthering their education at a 2 or 4 year trade school, college or university.

4. Past recipients can reapply annually for consideration of renewing the \$1,000 scholarship for up to an additional three years pending annual reapplication, compliance with the program terms, and annual approval by the Scholarship Sub Committee and Board of Directors.
5. The winner will be notified in writing by **July 31, 2020**.
6. The funds will be dispersed:
 - a. Upon written receipt of acceptance letter from a trade school, college or university and a written commitment letter of your acceptance from the trade school, university or college.
 - b. Check will be sent upon receipt of above information but no earlier than August 1, 2020.

Essay Question:

In addition to the application form, please respond to the following question with a 500 word essay (typed using 12 pt font and double spaced)

“Who or what has inspired you to further your education? Explain your future goals and aspirations.”

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APPLICANT:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Development/Housing Complex: _____

City: _____ State: DE Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Birth Date: _____ Age: _____

E-mail Address: _____

High School: _____ Graduation Year: _____

SCHOOL COUNSELOR:

Verification of Class Rank and Grade Point Average by person in authority from the High School:

Class Rank _____ / _____ Grade Point Average _____ / _____

Print Name

Title

High School Name

High School Address

E-Mail Address

Signature

Date

Phone Number

ATTACHMENTS:

All of the following items must be attached to the application at the time of submission. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

1. 500 word essay answering the question: "Who or what has inspired you to further your education? Explain your future goals and aspirations."
2. Two letters of recommendation: one from person in authority from the high school and one from a community leader.
3. List of extra-curricular activities in school and in the community.
4. Proof of residence in subsidized housing
5. Official high school transcripts noting GPA
6. Statement of estimated cost of education.

Signature of Applicant

Date