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2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PACKET

Receipt Deadline – May 15, 2017

Future Builders of America (FBA) is a 501(c)3, not-for-profit organization. The FBA mission is to engage in construction-related educational activities that help young people understand and pursue rewarding careers in the construction industry.

FBA created a scholarship fund to assist in addressing the pressing need for a better educated and trained construction industry workforce. Traditionally, at least 10% of FBA's general operating budget is set aside to be awarded annually through the scholarship program. Since 2000, the FBA Foundation has awarded over $100,000 in scholarship funds to students interested in a career in the residential construction industry.

Scholarship applications are available to FBA Chapters in February of each year. Awards are available in May and will be paid directory to the educational institution.

Applicants should be students in good standing at a Florida secondary education program or post-secondary trades program and recommended by their teachers with a strong interest in the residential construction industry or related trades who desire to pursue higher education opportunities but lack financial resources. An applicant should demonstrate an interest in obtaining employment in the construction industry upon graduation.

Application Deadline	Applications should be received at the FBA office by Monday, **May 1, 2017**. Applications received after the deadline may not be considered.
Eligibility	Students should be Florida high school seniors or currently enrolled in a post-secondary program in Florida.
Awards	The minimum scholarship award amount is $250. The maximum is $2,000.
Process	Applications are reviewed individually and objectively scored by an independent committee – criteria include academic performance, financial need, construction experience, and participation in FBA activities.

To be considered, the following MUST BE INCLUDED with application:

1) **School Transcripts**
2) **1st page of the most recent 1040 for head of household.**
3) **A minimum of ONE Academic Recommendation is required – in a sealed envelope with the recommender's signature written across the seal. TWO recommendations would be helpful but is not required.**
4) **Brief Essay by applicant explaining your interest in becoming a professional in the housing industry. Identify and describe your experience with the construction industry and career goals. (Please do not exceed one page, minimum font size is 12pt. If written, please print)**

Submit Application and all supporting documents to:

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PO Box 429
Jensen Beach, FL 34958

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ACADEMIC RECOMMENDATION FORM

(**MINIMUM OF ONE REQUIRED**…Please print or type)

1) Applicant

_____

Name *City*

Instructions to Applicant: Complete Sections 1 and give this form to the instructor or advisor who is familiar with your academic work. You should allow at least two weeks for completion of the form. Your recommender should return the form to you in a sealed envelope, signed across the seal, for you to include with your application.

2) Courses – provide courses taken from the person recommending you, if any:

Course Number	Course Title	When Taken	Grade

Please indicate any other personal association you have had with the person recommending you.

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Instructions to Recommender: Please complete this form and return it to the applicant in a sealed envelope, with your signature across the seal. The applicant must submit your recommendation as part of his/her completed application by the **RECEIPT** deadline. If you do not know the applicant well or unable to make a judgment in a particular category, please indicate this. Such frankness will not prejudice the candidate's application for funding.

How long have you known the applicant? _____ In what capacity? _____

What contributions has the applicant made on campus and to the Community? _____

_____

Please rate the applicant compared to a representative group of students you have known during your career:

	Superior (Top 1%)	Outstanding (Top 5%)	Excellent (Top 20%)	Good (Top 1/3)	Avg./Poor (Lower 1/2)	Unable to judge
Intellectual ability						
Ability to work with others						
Leadership ability						
Problem-solving skills						
Initiative						
Dependability/Maturity						
Overall potential						

Many talented individuals achieve marginal academic records. In your opinion is the applicant's academic record an accurate index of his/her academic ability? ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ Don't know

If you answer is NO, please explain briefly on the back of this form, giving consideration to the applicant's work schedule and other conflicts.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Recommenders Name (Please print or type) _____

School _____ **Title** _____

Email _____ **Phone** _____

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Essay by Applicant _____

Please explain why you are interested in becoming a professional in the housing industry. Identify and describe your experience with the construction industry and career goals.
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(Please print or type)

Applicant's Name:		
Applicant's Address:	City:	Zip:
Phone Number:	Email Address:	
Guardian Name:	Phone:	
School Currently Attending:		
GPA ***NOTE: School Transcripts MUST be provided***		
Besides FBA, list any other Extra Curricular Activities		
Are you Head of Household? Yes ☐ No ☐	Number in household:	
Household Annual income: $ ***NOTE: 1st page of IRS Form 1040 MUST be provided***		
Other sources of income (Grant or Scholarship) that will be used specifically for your schooling?		
What **percentage** will be covered for Housing: %	Tuition %	Books %
Full name of school you will be attending:	FCI?	State School?
Are you a member of FBA? Yes ☐ No ☐	Chapter?	
Are you an Officer of your FBA Chapter? Yes ☐ No ☐	Are you an Alumni of the FBA? Yes ☐ No ☐	
If an Alumni, list the FBA activities you have participated in over the past **2** years, INCLUDE year (additional room on page 2)		
Do you do volunteer work (preferably in the construction industry)? Yes ☐ No ☐ Average industry related hrs/wk: _____ Other:		
Companies or Organizations you currently volunteer for:		
Are you currently employed? Yes ☐ No ☐	Average hrs/wk industry related?	Other?
Companies or Organizations you've recently worked for *(additional room on page 2):*		
List Awards and Honors you have received in the past two years, INCLUDE year received (*additional room on page 2):*		
List Accomplishments for the past two years, INCLUDE year *(additional room on page 2):*		

NOTE: Be sure to include your essay and two (2) recommendations with your application. If any documentation is missing or spaces left blank, your application will NOT be considered.

By my signature below, I affirm that the information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I authorize FBA to verify the correctness of statements to appraise this application. I also authorize FBA to use information about and from my application for public relations purposes and for other scholarship opportunities.

Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Applicant's Name: _____

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(Continued from page 1) Companies or Organizations you've recently worked for:
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Signature: _____ Date: _____/_____/_____

Questions? Please contact us at 772-370-4713 or via email at execdirector@futurebuildersofamerica.org.

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