# WISCONSIN COUNCIL FOR AFFORDABLE AND RURAL HOUSING



2021 Scholarship

# 2021 SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

**SCHOLARSHIP:** There will be one scholarship awarded in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) to a high school student or adult wishing to further their education.

#### **BASIC INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Applications shall be printed and/or typed.
- 2. Submit only complete applications. <u>Incomplete applications may not be considered.</u>
- 3. Include all supporting documents including transcripts; list of references; etc.
- 4. **APPLICATION DEADLINE is May 31, 2021.** Applications may be submitted on or before the deadline either electronically or by mail.

<u>ELECTRONICALLY</u>: Submit all application materials via e-mail to <u>info@wicarh.org</u>. Official transcripts may be mailed to the WI-CARH office.

**BY MAIL:** Must be postmarked by application deadline and mailed to:

WI-CARH P.O. Box 258098 Madison, WI 53725

#### **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1. Applicant must be a candidate for high school graduation or a high school graduate or earned a high school diploma or equivalent.
- 2. Applicant must be attending or plan to attend any two (2) year or higher accredited Public or Private institution in the State of Wisconsin offering an associate or undergraduate degree OR a vocational/technical program.
- 3. Applicant must meet full-time student requirements as defined by having 12 or more credits per semester OR part-time student requirements as defined by having 6 or more credits per semester.
- 4. Applicant must have a Cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.75 or higher. A transcript of grades shall be provided with this application.
- 5. Applicant must submit an essay (1 page) on "My Career Goals" with this application.
- 6. Applicant must provide with this application two non-related references from community member/leader, teacher/administrator, and/or employer.
- 7. Applicant must provide certification from the WI-CARH Member Housing that he/she is a current resident in good standing if this is applicable as members will be given preference. (See #2 on General Information page.)
- 8. Applicant must verify that they will be attending an educational institution in the upcoming semester (i.e., Letter of Intent or registration documentation).

(Review General Information page for further details)

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- 1. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior or be currently enrolled at any two year or higher accredited public or private institution in the State of Wisconsin offering an associate or undergraduate degree OR a vocational/technical program. Previous scholarship recipients may reapply.
- 2. Applicant must reside in a property in Wisconsin which is part of a USDA Rural Development program. Preference will be given to applicants residing in apartment complexes which are members of WI-CARH. Resident applicants must submit verification from the WI-CARH member that the applicant is a resident in good standing.
- 3. Scholarships will not be awarded to employees or affiliates of WI-CARH or employees or affiliates of the member apartment complexes unless employee meets all of the criteria listed in Item 2 above.
- 4. Funds are to be utilized beginning with the 2021/2022 school year.
- 5. The applications will be judged on academic achievements, work performance, career goals, and extracurricular school and community activities and achievements will also be considered. Success in core curriculum courses will have a bearing on the weight given to academic achievements. The WI-CARH board will have the final approval of all applicants. The WI-CARH Board or its designee may choose to interview the applicants.
- 6. The scholarship recipient will be notified on or before June 30, 2021 and awarded the scholarship thereafter. The scholarship recipient will be recognized at the WI-CARH annual meeting in Wisconsin Dells on October 28, 2021.
- 7. The scholarship will be administered by the institution attended by the recipient. Funds may be used for tuition, program fees, books or supplies for one year or longer if approved by WI-CARH. Recipient's failure to continue required course of study will cause the unused portion of funds to revert back to WI-CARH.
- 8. **Applicants are strongly encouraged** to apply for our **national** group's scholarship as well. See Council for Affordable and Rural Housing's (CARH) website for more information and requirements at <a href="http://www.carh.org/">http://www.carh.org/</a>.

## WI-CARH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

# WISCONSIN COUNCIL FOR AFFORDABLE & RURAL HOUSING (WI-CARH) $\underline{2021\ SCHOLARSHIP\ APPLICATION\ FORM}$

Last Name		First Name		Middle Initial
Address			City	Zip Code
Home Phor	ne		Cell Phone	·
Email	Date of Birth (month/day/year)			nonth/day/year)
High School Name or College Currently Attending			Location	
Most recen	t GPA Graduat	ion or GED Date	Type of Diplo	oma
If Employe	d, Name of Employer	Number Hours Work	ed Per Week He	ad of Household (Yes or No)
	ding in WI-CARH Men			ARH Member Housing
1	n-related references fr	om community member/lead	ier, nign school teacher/ac	lministrator, &/or employer.
Name		Relationship	Email	Phone #
2. Name		Relationship	Email	Phone #
community	. Also, list honors and		obs you have held; and an	at school, college, church, and/or y special circumstances which a separate sheet, if desired).

#### WI-CARH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- Essay (1 page) on "My Career Goals"
- Letter or certification from WI-CARH Member of current resident status, if applicable.
- High school or college transcript

I hereby certify that all information and attachments are true to my knowledge. I understand that false information may disqualify me from consideration for this award.

Applicant Signature	Date

\*ELECTRONIC TRANSMITTAL: Electronic transmittal of application and supporting documentation to WI-CARH is certification that all information and supporting documentation are true to the best of your knowledge. In addition, transmittal provides your agreement that any knowingly false information may disqualify you from consideration for a WI-CARH scholarship, or be grounds for an offered scholarship to be rescinded. Actual electronic transmittal will be used as an electronic signature and date. Application and all required supporting documentation must be received by the WI-CARH Office to be considered.