

WISCONSIN COUNCIL FOR AFFORDABLE AND RURAL HOUSING



Scholarship

WI-CARH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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. Incomplete applications may not be considered.
3. Include all supporting documents including transcripts; list of references; etc.
4. **APPLICATION DEADLINE is May 31.** Applications may be submitted on or before the deadline either electronically or by mail.

ELECTRONICALLY: Submit all application materials via e-mail to info@wicarh.org.
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)

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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. **WI-CARH is expanding the opportunity to not only current residents, but now to property employees, or a direct family member of a property employee of a WI-CARH member affordable housing community.** Resident applicants must submit verification from the WI-CARH member that the applicant is a resident in good standing.
3. Funds are to be utilized beginning with the school year.
4. The applications will be judged on academic achievements, work performance, career goals, and extra-curricular 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.
5. The scholarship recipient will be notified on or before June 30 and awarded the scholarship thereafter. The scholarship recipient will be recognized at the WI-CARH annual meeting in Wisconsin Dells.
6. 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.
7. **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 <http://www.carh.org/>.

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WISCONSIN COUNCIL FOR AFFORDABLE & RURAL HOUSING (WI-CARH) SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Last Name		First Name	Middle Initial
Address		City	Zip Code
Home Phone		Cell Phone	
Email		Date of Birth (month/day/year)	
High School Name or College Currently Attending		Location	
Most recent GPA	Graduation or GED Date	Type of Diploma	
If Employed, Name of Employer	Number Hours Worked Per Week	Head of Household (Yes or No)	
Dates Residing in WI-CARH Member Housing or Employee Years of Service		Name of WI-CARH Member Housing	

List two non-related references from community member/leader, high school teacher/administrator, &/or employer.

1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Name	Relationship	Email	Phone #
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Name	Relationship	Email	Phone #

List leadership roles and summarize extracurricular activities you have participated in at school, college, church, and/or community. Also, list honors and awards you have received; jobs you have held; and any special circumstances which you believe should be taken into consideration in evaluating your application (may use a separate sheet, if desired).

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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.*