
Housing Authority of the Birmingham District Scholarship Foundation

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Description of Scholarship:

Per academic year or education/training period (no restriction as to use)

Eligibility Criterion

- Must be a resident of public housing or Section 8 Program of the Housing Authority of the Birmingham District (HABD)

AND

Below applies to academic scholarships to Residents choosing to attend two or four year institutions.

- Able to demonstrate acceptable academic achievement
- Currently a high school senior, high school graduate, GED recipient, or obtaining a GED
- Currently enrolled and attending college or technical school

OR

Below applies if renewing a previously awarded Scholarship

Academic Requirements

1. Must have a 2.0 grade point average (GPA) or better on a 4.0 (GPA) basis or
2. As determined by the HABD Scholarship Foundation Committee Review.

Basis of selection: (All criteria weighted equally)

1. Academic record
2. Financial Need
3. Other Criteria
 - Citizenship
 - Leadership
 - Community service hours
 - Extracurricular involvement

Required Documentation for Application Package:

New Applicants - High School Students

(Two or Four-Year institution requirements):

1. Complete application form
2. High school transcripts (including first half of senior year grades)
3. Copy of SAT test scores or ACT test scores
4. Letter of recommendation from an academic instructor
5. Letter of recommendation from a school official
6. Letter of recommendation from a personal reference
7. Two references (must include name, address and phone number)
8. An autobiographical essay on why the applicant wishes to pursue a college degree or vocational training (500 words maximum)
9. Proof of Enrollment into College or Education Program

New Applicants – Adults

(Two or Four-Year institutions, Trade School, other advanced training requirements)

1. Complete application form
2. Proof of enrollment & transcript (if applicable)
3. Two (2) Letters of recommendation (personal, non-relative)
4. One (1) Letter of recommendation (professional)
5. Resume
6. Essay on why the applicant wishes to pursue a college degree or vocational training (500 words maximum)

Renewing Scholarship Recipients

1. Complete application
2. Certified college transcripts
3. Two references (must include name, address and phone number)
4. An autobiographical essay on why the applicant wishes to continue to pursue their education and what they have been involved in the preceding academic year (500 words maximum)

Final selection of scholarship awardees is to be determined by the HABD Scholarship Foundation

DEADLINE TO APPLY: August 5, 2016

Please mail completed application and all above required materials to:

HABD Scholarship Foundation

Attention: Galvin K. Billups

1826 Third Avenue, South

P.O. Box 55906

Birmingham, AL 35233-5906

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GENERAL INFORMATION

All Public Housing or Section 8 Residents are eligible for scholarship awards and, are encouraged to apply.

1. All scholarship applications must be received at the Housing Authority of the Birmingham District (HABD address at bottom of application) on or before **August 5, 2016.**
2. An application packet must be complete to determine the applicant need.
3. Scholarship Awards will be made to a HABD Public Housing or Section 8 Resident
4. All applicants entering college, trade or technical school for the first time must expect to receive a Diploma or General Education Development (GED) Certificate. Prior year applicants and recipients are eligible to reapply for a scholarship.
5. The Funds may be used for part-time employment/job training programs for HABD residents and/or daycare or transportation assistance to support HABD residents who are working or are in training or education programs. Funds will be used to pay daycare providers or provide MAX cards or stipends exclusively for HABD residents. The daycare/transportation *may* be administered by a third party service provider under a cooperative agreement with the HABD Scholarship Foundation.
6. Each application from a high school student must contain the following support documentation:
 - High school transcripts (including first half of senior year grades)
 - Copy of SAT test scores or ACT test scores
 - Letter of recommendation from an academic instructor
 - Letter of recommendation from a school official
 - Letter of recommendation from a personal reference
 - Two references (must include name, address and phone number)
 - An autobiographical essay on why the applicant wishes to pursue a college degree or vocational training (500 words maximum)
 - Proof of Enrollment into College or Education Program

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7. Each application from an adult applicant must contain the following support documentation:
 - Proof of enrollment
 - Transcript (if attending a Two-Year, Four-Year College or other Trade School)
 - Two (2) Letters of recommendation (personal, non-relative)
 - One (1) Letter of recommendation (professional)
 - Professional Resume
 - Essay on why the applicant wishes to pursue a college degree or vocational training (500 words maximum)
 8. A special committee appointed by the Foundation will convene for the purpose of selecting the Finalists after reviewing all applications received. The applications from high school students will be judged on grade point average, academic achievement, financial need, extracurricular activities, community service, leadership, and citizenship. Success in core curriculum courses will have a bearing on the weight given to academic achievements. The applications from adult applicants will be judged on recommendations, resume and personal essay.
 9. Final selection is to be determined by the HABD Scholarship Foundation.
 10. The scholarship awards will be announced and presented.
 11. Tuition, housing and campus related scholarships will be administered by the institution attended by the recipient. Funds may be used for one year, or a longer period of time if approved by HABD. The recipient's failure to continue the course of study will cause the unused portion of Funds to revert to the HABD for award to another applicant.
 12. Resident groups (e.g., resident councils or interest groups) are able to apply for scholarship assistance for community education and training initiatives. Additional information may be required based on type of assistance requested.

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BRIEF SUMMARY

The Housing Authority of the Birmingham District (HABD) Scholarship Foundation provides periodic and annual scholarship to eligible Public Housing and Section 8 participants. The Foundation also facilitates education programs and events to make continued and higher education a viable reality for low and very low income persons. The HABD Scholarship Foundation is a tax deductible 501 (c) (3) organization and businesses. The HABD Scholarship Foundation goal is to make continued and higher education a viable reality for low and very-low income persons. All HABD residents are eligible for scholarship awards.

For More Information Contact:

HABD Scholarship Foundation
1836 3rd Avenue South
P.O. Box 55906
Birmingham, AL 35233
205-521-0619

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please Type or Print

Last Name _____ First Name _____ M.I. _____

Date of Birth _____ Social Security # _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Phone No. () _____ Alt. Phone No. () _____

E-mail Address _____

Parent's name(s) if applicant under age 18: _____

Head of Household Social Security # _____

Mark one (x) Individual Resident Group Name _____

Mark one (x) Section 8 Participant
 Public Housing Community Name _____

Mark one (x) New Applicant Renewing Recipient _____

College/University/Vocational Training or School you plan to attend: _____

Type of Scholarship / Education Assistance Requested: _____

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