



## NCRC Ernest J. Bohn Scholarship Program

NCRC NAHRO is pleased to announce the availability of its annual **Ernest J. Bohn Education Scholarships**. Two successful candidates are eligible for scholarships in the amount of \$1,000.00 or \$500.00 respectively. Scholarship funds may be used for any expenses directly related to post-secondary education (tuition, room/board, books, etc.).

**Applications must be submitted to NCRC NAHRO by April 1, 2026 to:**

**Amber Carlson, Vice President of Member Services,**  
**phone: (616) 794.1740 • email: [ambercarlson@beldinghousing.org](mailto:ambercarlson@beldinghousing.org)**  
**Occupancy Specialist, Belding Housing Commission, 41 Belhaven, Belding, MI 48809**

### Eligibility

1. Scholarship applications are only available to eligible member agencies. An eligible agency is a member agency in good standing with NCRC & NAHRO.
2. Eligible individuals are provided a service or live in a household managed by an eligible member agency.
3. Eligible applicants must be a graduating high school senior, possess a high school diploma or GED, and must be applying to or attending an accredited institution of higher education pursuing their first post-secondary degree. (**Scholars applying for a master's or a PHD are not eligible**). If currently attending college, applicants must be registered as a full-time student.
4. Only one application may be sponsored by an agency.

### Scholarship Opportunities

#### NCRC Ernest J. Bohn Scholarships

Two scholarships (one receiving \$1,000 and one receiving \$500) will be awarded and paid directly to the accredited institution of higher education. The \$1,000 scholarship award recipient will also have their scholarship application forwarded to NAHRO for additional scholarship opportunities through the NAHRO Merit Scholarship listed directly below.

#### NAHRO Merit College Scholarship

The NAHRO Merit College Scholarship Program awards a one-time payment of \$1,000 each to eight scholars, one from each NAHRO region, who are pursuing their first post-secondary degree (*scholars applying for a master's or a PHD are not eligible*). Each NAHRO region submits an applicant of their choice from their own scholarship program. If no regional scholarship program is in place, the region will select one eligible applicant to complete the NAHRO Merit College Scholarship application.

Three NAHRO Merit Scholarship program winners will be selected by the NAHRO Scholarship Committee to become a part of the NAHRO-LDG Scholars program.

### NAHRO-LDG Scholars Program

The NAHRO-LDG Scholars Program is a 10-year venture that will provide \$1 million in scholarships and internship opportunities to low-income students from around the country and is funded by the award-winning multi-family housing developer, LDG Development.

In addition to the one-time scholarship provided through the NAHRO Merit College Scholarship, NAHRO-LDG Scholars will receive:

- A \$12,000 scholarship distributed over four years to assist with tuition and university affiliated housing expenses
- An opportunity to earn up to \$9,000 in stipends for summer internships and other approved activities that support the student's academic matriculation.
- Networking opportunities with business and community leaders

All scholarship funds are sent directly to the accredited institution of higher education or university housing official once proof of registration is received.

Scholarship funds for both NAHRO Merit College Scholarship winners and NAHRO-LDG Scholars are sent directly to the scholarship winner's accredited institution of higher education once proof of registration is received.

### How to Apply

Listed below are the documents required for a complete application. Please review this material carefully.

**Scholarship Applicants** fill out and gather all required documents for the application. This includes:

1. **Information form:** To be considered, all sections of the application must be completed. If a section is not applicable, write N/A (not applicable) in the section; do not leave any sections blank. Any application that has blank sections, or that is missing appropriate submittals or signatures will be disqualified.
2. **One letter of character recommendation:** Please attach a letter of recommendation from a **non-relative**. Letters of recommendation will be accepted from a representative from the local housing authority or community organization, an employer, or a school professional such as a teacher, principal or guidance counselor. **Recommendations from family members will NOT be considered.** All recommendations should include the writer's name; relationship to the applicant; and the length of time the writer has known the applicant.
3. **An unofficial transcript from high school and/or the academic institution the applicant is currently attending.** A digital copy or scanned in hard copy are both acceptable.
4. **Verification of acceptance/attendance** at an accredited institution of higher education.
5. **An essay (750-1,000 words) written by the applicant.**  
**Essay prompt:** Please tell us about yourself and how this scholarship will help the applicant achieve his/her goal of attending and graduating from college.
6. **A clear, high-resolution headshot photo of the applicant.**

# Information Form

APPLICANT'S NAME: Enter Full Name

LOCAL/Mailing ADDRESS: [Click here to enter address.](#)

(NUMBER & STREET)

(CITY)

(STATE/ZIP)

DATE OF BIRTH: MM/DD/YYYY

PHONE NUMBER: ( ) -                      EMAIL: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Which housing and or community development agency are you affiliated with? [Click here to enter agency.](#)

## EDUCATION HISTORY

(Check one)

High School Graduate/GED Recipient

High School Senior

Currently pursuing a post-

secondary degree

CURRENT SCHOOL ATTENDING / DATES ATTENDED/ FINAL GPA/ CREDITS COMPLETED / DEGREES RECEIVED:

(Fill out all that apply)

[Click here to enter text.](#)

## 2026-2027 EDUCATION PLANS

What college, university, vocational, or post-secondary school do you plan to attend/ are attending in 2026-2027 (include city & state): [Click here to enter text.](#)

2026-2027 ENROLLMENT STATUS:

Applied, but not yet accepted

Applied and accepted

Anticipated/Known major or vocational goal:

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Average length of program (2 years/4 years, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

## HONORS, AWARDS, & COMMUNITY/SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Please list all honors or awards received and any community/school activities in which you have actively participated within the past 4 years (attach extra sheet if needed).

[Click here to enter text.](#)

## FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT

Estimated cost for entire 2026-2027 school year (include tuition, meal plan, student fees, books, and school supplies only) \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all other known scholarship awards:

## SIGNATURE

BY MY SIGNATURE, I AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:

- That the information I have given is true to the best of my knowledge.
- To maintain satisfactory educational progress.
- To keep NAHRO informed of any changes in schools or enrollment status.
- To provide, or respond to NAHRO requests for, periodic updates on academic progress for the duration of the candidate's receipt of 2026-2027 scholarship funds.
- To consent to the use of my profile, progress, and testimonial, by NAHRO and its subsidiaries, for marketing and fundraising purposes.
- To authorize the office of financial aid to release my grades and pertinent information to NAHRO.
- To authorize the release of my contact information to contractor for the college program (if funded).

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Applicant Signature*

Date: MM/DD/YYYY

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*Once you have reviewed the application and required documents for accuracy sign and date above and submit to your scholarship representative Dara Lee by April 1, 2026.*