



# Michigan NAHRO Scholarship Program

Michigan NAHRO is pleased to announce the availability of its *2021 Scholarship Awards*. Two successful candidates are eligible for scholarships in the amount of \$500.00, made annually (eligible for \$500 per year for up to four years). Scholarship funds may be used for any expenses directly related to post-secondary education (tuition, room/board, books, etc.).

Applications must be submitted to MI NAHRO by **April 1, 2021** to:

**Cheryl Anne Farmer, State Service Officer**  
MI Chapter of NAHRO  
169 Templar Ave., Pinckney, MI 48169  
**Phone:** (734)498-2493 / **Email:** minahro@minahro.org

## Eligibility

1. Applicant must be a resident of a housing unit or participant in a rental assistance program administered by a NAHRO Member Agency.
2. Applicants can be adults, or High School seniors graduating by August of the year the application is made. An adult applicant who is already enrolled in a post-secondary program is eligible to apply. **Please note:** Preference will be given to first time students.
3. Applicant's household annual income must be at or below 80% of the area median income for family size as determined by HUD.
4. High School seniors must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better (on a scale of 4.0)
5. Scholarship awards may be used for any two or four-year accredited post-secondary program. The application cannot be used for graduate or post-graduate level programs.
6. An active NAHRO Agency Member must sponsor the application.
7. Only one application may be sponsored by an agency.

## How to Apply

### **All applicants:**

- Complete application in its entirety. Sponsoring agency must submit to MI NAHRO before **April 1, 2021**.

### **High School Seniors must submit:**

- An essay written by the applicant (no more than two typed pages) detailing goals and commitment to continuing education and highlighting community engagement/involvement.
- High School Transcript
- The application must include two letters of recommendation on character. One from a representative from the local housing authority and one academic reference (only non-relative recommendations will be considered).
- Information on educational institution(s) where applicant has applied for enrollment, including program information and admission status.

### **Adult Applicants must submit:**

- An essay written by the applicant (no more than two typed pages) detailing goals and commitment to continuing education along with showcasing community engagement/involvement.
- Information of educational institution(s) where applicant has applied for enrollment, including program information and admission status.
- The application must include two letters of recommendation on character. One from a representative from the local housing authority and one from a community organization, employer and/or an academic reference (only non-relative recommendations will be considered).

### **Award Distribution**

- Notice of scholarship awards and eligibility requirements shall be posted at the Agency office.
- The scholarship will be administered by the school attended by the scholarship recipient. Funds shall be sent directly to the school registrar.
- Failure to continue with post-secondary education plans will result in the unused portion of funds to revert to MI NAHRO.
- Applications will be reviewed by the MI NAHRO Scholarship committee after the **April 1, 2021** deadline.

**Scholarship winners will be announced at the 2021 Annual MI NAHRO Spring Conference. Winners will be notified by mail and/or contacted by the Scholarship committee.**

### **Scholarship Opportunities**

- MI NAHRO 2021 Scholarships - Two scholarships, for \$500, will be awarded and paid directly to the accredited institution of higher education.

### **Requirement Checklist**

- Information Form
- Unofficial Transcript
- Educational History
- Educational Plan
- Honors and Awards (Please list award and date e.g. MM/YYYY)
- Financial Requirement
- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation - such as a representative from the local housing authority, community organization, employer and an academic reference (only non-relative recommendations will be considered).
- Essay - why is this scholarship essential to your future? Elaborate on your community involvement, engagement and service.
- Certification Signature

## INFORMATION FORM

APPLICANT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCAL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

(NUMBER & STREET)

(CITY)

(STATE/ZIP)

DATE OF BIRTH: (MM/DD/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: ( ) - EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Which housing and or community development agency are you affiliated with? \_\_\_\_\_

## UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

(Please attach a copy of an unofficial transcript.)

## EDUCATION HISTORY

(Check one) High School Graduate  High School Senior  GED Recipient

COLLEGES ATTENDED / DATES ATTENDED/ HOURS COMPLETED / DEGREES RECEIVED:

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## 2019-2020 EDUCATION PLANS

What college, university, vocational, or post-secondary school do you plan to attend in 2019-2020 (include city & state):

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2019-2020 ENROLLMENT STATUS:

Plan to apply

Applied but not yet accepted

Applied and accepted

Anticipated major or vocational goal:

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

Estimated cost for entire 2020-2021 school year (include tuition, student fees, books, and school supplies only)

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## 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 5 years (attach extra sheet if needed).

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## FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT

Please provide a statement of estimated cost of education for 2018-2019.

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## LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Please attach two letters of recommendation from non-family members. The application must include letters of recommendation on character such as a representative from the local housing authority, community organization, employer and an academic reference (only non-relative recommendations will be considered). List the contact information for these people below. **Please include their name, address, phone number, and relationship to you, and length of time you have known them.**

Reference One:

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Reference Two:

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## ESSAY

Elaborate in up to two pages on your educational goals and career plan along with your community involvement, engagement and service. Essays showcasing outstanding community service will be considered for the additional financial awards. (8.5 X 11 INCHES) If you have any unusual circumstances that you would like the scholarship committee to consider, please include them in your essay.

# CERTIFICATION

Sign Here: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: (MM/DD/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_

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 MI NAHRO informed of any changes in schools or enrollment status.
- To provide, or respond to MI NAHRO requests for, periodic updates on academic progress for the duration of the candidate's receipt of 2019-2020 scholarship funds.
- To consent to the use of my profile, progress, and testimonial, by MI NAHRO and its subsidiaries, for marketing and fundraising purposes.
- To authorize the office of financial aid to release my grades and pertinent information to MI NAHRO.
- To authorize the release of my contact information to contractor for the college program (if funded).

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*Signature*

## AGENCY SPONSOR FORM

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**Agency Sponsorship.** Each agency may sponsor one applicant to MI NAHRO for any given scholarship year. The Application, together with this Agency Sponsor Form (and other documentation), should be submitted by **April 1, 2021** to MI NAHRO addressed to:

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I submit this sponsorship for the MI NAHRO Scholarship on behalf of my agency and in support of the application made by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sponsoring Agency: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agency Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency comments on behalf of the applicant (include attachments as needed):

**Application submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(NAME) (TITLE) (AGENCY)

**Applicant Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_  
College at Which Accepted: \_\_\_\_\_  
College Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Course of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

**Affiliation with NAHRO Agency**

Housing or Community Development Agency or NAHRO Member Agency:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

***I have enclosed with this application:***

- Information Form
- Unofficial Transcript
- Educational History
- Educational Plan
- Honors and Awards (Please list award and date e.g. MM/YYYY)
- Financial Requirement
- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation
- Essay - why is this scholarship essential to your future? Elaborate on your community involvement, engagement and service. Essays showcasing outstanding community service will be considered for the additional financial awards.
- Certification Signature

**Agency Certification**

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the individual listed on this scholarship application is associated with this agency and that this agency is a MI NAHRO member. I also certify that the information contained in this application is accurate and meets the eligibility requirements to the best of my knowledge.

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Agency Representative's Signature