**2023 A. Goodson, Jr. SCHOLARSHIP - General Conditions**

**Funding for this scholarship will only be applied as follows:**

1. The applicant must enroll in an accredited school of higher learning, meaning a Community College, University, Vocational or Technical School, in the United States. This is a onetime scholarship that will be sent directly to the school of higher learning that you are enrolled in. The funds may be used for tuition, books, and room & board costs.
2. In the event the student does not attend, and does not utilize the scholarship or part thereof, the scholarship will be refunded to ECAHRO.

**Requirements**

1. All required information will be submitted in original form.
2. All required information must be or typewritten.
3. All required information should be returned to the applicant’s housing authority.

**Required Information**

1**.** One letter from a School Official, Principal, Teacher, or Guidance Counselor

with a brief description of your (student) work ethic while in school.

2. One letter from the sponsoring Housing Authority, outlining their reasons

 for selecting the applicant to compete for this scholarship.

3. Two letters from two different individuals in the community not related to

 you such as your minister, employer, youth director, coach, lawyer or

 business person, or other professional person, dictating your character

 outside of a school setting.

4. Certified Copy of your current transcript from your High School or alternative

 school of higher learning.

5. An **Essay containing a minimum of 200 and a maximum of 400 words**

(must be typewritten) describing your experience living in assisted housing and

how it has contributed to your ambitions, goals, and what you would

 hope to contribute to society through obtaining a higher education.

6. One proper photo (digital or photo paper) suitable for publication.

 **No Photo Copies Please**

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**CHecklist (All Items listed below are required for an completed application)**

* + **Completed Application**
	+ **Letter from school official**
	+ **Letter from Housing authority**
	+ **Two (2) Reference Letters**
	+ **Certified School TRanscript**
	+ **Essay (200-400 Words)**
	+ **Photo**
* **I have submitted a complete scholarship application with the required attachments.**
* **I understand that an incomplete application will not meet the eligibility requirements and therefore will not be considered for this scholarship.**
* **I understand that if I am selected as a scholarship winner, it will be my responsibility to submit the appropriate information for my scholarship to be paid directly to my educational institution.**

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

**Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Program Guidelines**

**1. Purpose and Scope**

It is intended that these guidelines cover the operations of the ECAHRO Scholarship program. It is through this program that ECAHRO will make available scholarship funding for the purpose of supporting and fostering the educational pursuits of deserving residents of assisted housing being administered or managed by a Public Housing Authority. It is recognized that this endeavor directly supports the shared objective of enhancing the mobility and improvement of residents of assisted housing.

**2. Funding Amounts**

Annual funding for the Scholarship Program will be established by the Members of ECAHRO through the budget process and by a vote at a regular business meeting. The ECAHRO Scholarship Committee may seek additional and alternative sources of funding in addition to ECAHRO Funding. All additional funding for this purpose will be earmarked and used for the scholarships.

**3. State Eligibility**

Each dues paying active Public Housing Authority member will be eligible for participation in the scholarship program provided the Public Housing Authority indicates its willingness to adhere to adopted program guidelines.

**4. Student Eligibility**

It is intent of the Scholarship Program to serve publicly assisted housing residents through Public Housing Authorities members. An eligible recipient must be an immediate member of family who resides in publicly assisted housing.

**5. Recipient Selection**

**The following will be accomplished at a minimum by ECAHRO:**

1. Fully promote the availability of the program;
2. Establish a system of administration within ECAHRO, which use its designated scholarship committee;
3. Judge candidates on the basis of academic achievement **GPA of 2.5** **or higher**, extracurricular activities, education/career goals;
4. Does not discriminate in any way based on race, sex, age, or other factors not relevant to the basic program objectives;
5. Scholarship selection will be done annually with twice (2) a year maximum option.

**6. Funding Method, Reporting, and Maintenance of Eligibility**

1. ECAHRO funding will be utilized to provide annual support for selected applicants.
2. In order to maintain eligibility, a recipient must maintain a passing grade acceptable to the university, college, vocational/technical or business school in which the recipient is enrolled.
3. Only recognized, accredited institutions of higher education may be utilized.
4. Public Housing Authorities are requested to encourage candidates to apply for scholarships.
5. Upon final selection and approval, the Scholarship Committee will submit a Request for Scholarship Funding to the Secretary/Treasurer of the Eastern Carolina Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials. This should be done 45 - 60 days prior to the commencement of the Fall or Spring semester. The Scholarship Committee will provide in this request that a direct payment is made to the named program /institution of higher learning.

**7. Publicity**

Participating Public Housing Authorities will agree to take appropriate steps to publicize the Scholarship program. This may be done at local level consisting of Eastern Carolina housing authorities, educational, vocational and technical institutions.

**2023 ECAHRO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**Student name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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 **Street City State zip**

**What high school do you attend?**

**What College, Community College, Technical or trade school do you plan to attend?**

**What will be your course of study or major?**

**Please list your activities (both in and out of school)**

**Please list any award(s) or recognition(s) received:**

**What other scholarships or financial aid have you applied for?**

**What is your high school grade point average? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Please list any work, volunteer, or community involvement experience?**

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**Mother’s name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Father’s Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Employer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Are there other children in your family? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**What are their ages? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**I certify that the answers given herein are true and complete to the best of my Knowledge**

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**Student Signature Date**

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 **Parent or Guardian Signature Date**

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**Housing Authority Personnel Signature Date Name of Housing Authorirty**

**Description /Listing of Extracurricular Activities**

**(School, Community or Church)**

**Must be Typewritten**

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**Statement of advice (Typewritten) – You may Add a Page**

**Explain what advice you would give to other students from your community to help them**

**reach their goals of obtaining a higher education or other form of learning.**

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**2023 ECHARO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS**

1. **February 1, 2023 - Applications Sent to Housing Authorities**
2. **April 30, 2023 - Receipt of Applications by Housing**

 **Authorities from Applicants**

1. **May 20, 2023 - Deadline for Receipt of Applications**

 **by Committee from Housing Authorities\***

1. **May 30, 2023 - Final Decision by Scholarship Committee**
2. **June 15, 2023 - Scholarship Committee Notify Applicants**
3. **July 1, 2023 - Confirmation of Applicant School of Acceptance**
4. **August 1, 2023 - Check to be Mailed to School**

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**REMINDER - Timeframe for Review & Selection of Applications**

**\* 04/15/2023 – Applications received by Greenville HA (W. Williams)**

 **from Local Housing Authorities**

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**APPLICATION REVIEW Committee**

1. **Wayman Williams (Chair)**
2. **Ray Green (Co-Chair)**
3. **Anthony Goodson**
4. **Buddy Brown**
5. **Jason Whitfield**

**Deborah Davis, ECAHRO Scholarship Committee Chair**