Adult Student Scholarship

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**What is the Adult Student Scholarship?**

Adult Student Scholarships are designed to provide the opportunity for adults to attend college and make a positive difference in the lives of their families. The scholarship is to help cover the cost of tuition, fees, books, supplies, and other related expenses.

**What scholarships are available for the 2017-2018 academic year?**

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<th>Three Academic Awards</th>
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(Depending on number of applicants, the committee reserves the right to distribute amounts. There could be 4 Academic and 3 Technical/Vocational if needed)

The Scholarship Committee will notify applicants and sponsoring housing authorities of selection or non-selection for personal interview by mid-April. Scholarship awards will be announced at the GAHRA Spring Conference in Macon, Georgia on Monday, May 21, 2018, following interviews with the finalists.

**Who can apply for the scholarships?**

In order to be eligible for an Adult Student Scholarship, you must be a resident who is a non-traditional student. A non-traditional student is defined as a resident age 18 and up who has graduated from high school or received a GED; however, delayed enrolling in college or technical school for at least a year. The resident must meet the following criteria:

- Current resident, with at least two years of residency (not required to be consecutive), of federally assisted housing or as a recipient of assistance through the Community Development Block Grant Program.
- Is in good standing with Housing Authority or Community Development Agency (no lease violations).
- Must have earned high school diploma or GED at least one year ago.
- Must currently be enrolled in a full- or part-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two- or four-year college, university, or vocational/technical school.
- *** Must “not” have previously been awarded a GAHRA scholarship.

**What is the deadline to apply?**

Your completed application must be returned to your local Housing Authority or Community Development Office by **on or before the deadline set by them**. We encourage you to submit the application as soon as possible. Your authority/agency’s nomination(s) must then be submitted to the GAHRA Scholarship Committee no later than **March 23, 2018**.
What is the process for applying?

1. Applicants must complete the attached application and essay requirement. Applications are available at your Housing Authority or Community Development Office.

2. Current, complete, official college or technical/vocational transcript of grades for all prior courses taken. If the applicant’s high school graduation date is not printed on the college transcript, a copy of the high school transcript, high school diploma, or other documentation must be enclosed showing the high school graduation date.

3. Copy of SAT/ACT scores, if applicable.

4. Copy of College Placement Exam (CPE) score.

5. Source and amount of other scholarship awards, received or pending.

6. Three letters of reference (teacher, employer, minister, or anyone with significant knowledge of the applicant).

7. A sponsorship letter from the Executive Director of your Housing Authority or the Director of your Community Development Program. The sponsoring agency must be an active member of GAHRA at the time of the application and they can only submit one academic (degree) and one technical/vocational (non-degree) application to the Scholarship Committee for the adult student award selection process.

8. The sponsoring agency must make a commitment to support travel expenses if their applicant(s) should be selected for an interview as one of the finalists. Finalists will be interviewed during the morning of May 21, 2018, at the GAHRA Spring Conference in Macon, Georgia.

Applicants are responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information by the deadline. All of the above must be submitted in order for the application to be considered.

How will the award be distributed?

- The school being attended by the winner will administer the scholarship award. If tuition and books are covered by other scholarships, the GAHRA scholarship award will be paid directly to the student.

- Funds may be used for one year or longer if approved by the Scholarship Committee. Failure to continue the required course of study will cause the unused portion of the funds to revert back to the Georgia Association of Housing and Redevelopment Authorities.

DEADLINES FOR SUBMITTAL-
PLEASE E-MAIL TO: vopdallasha@bellsouth.net
Then mail to:
March 23, 2018 to the: GAHRA Scholarship Com.
c/o Dallas HA
P. O. Box 74
Dallas, GA 30132

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Name: _________________________________________________

                First                Middle                Last

Current Address: __________________________________________________________

City: __________________________ State: __________ Zip Code: __________

Date of Birth: __________________________ Phone Number: __________________________

Years you have lived at present address: _______ E-mail: __________________________

Sponsoring Agency: __________________________________________________________

Sponsoring Agency’s Address: _________________________________________________

                           Type of Scholarship applying for:  ☐ Academic or  ☐ Vocational/Technical

Name of College or Technical School: ____________________________________________

Address: _________________________________________________________________

City: __________________________ State: __________ Zip Code: __________

Classification: ________________ Major: ______________ GPA: __________

Expected Graduation Date: _______________

Are you currently receiving financial aid? ______ Yes ______ No

What does the financial aid cover? __________________________________________________________________________

Please provide the source and amount: __________________________________________________________________________

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HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION
Name of High School that you graduated from:__________________________

Address:________________________________________________________________

City:________________________ State:_________ Zip Code:____________________

Graduation Date:____________________

Graduation Equivalency Diploma (GED) Date:________________________

FINANCIAL DATA
Total Household Income for 2017:________________________
Please include family net wages, child support, alimony, food stamps, WIC, TANF, Public Assistance, Social Security, and any other income. Do not include financial aid.

Total Household Expenses for 2017:________________________
Please include rent, utilities, food, clothing, child/dependent care, medical expenses and insurance, auto loan, other transportation expenses, debts/loan payments, and any other expenses.

Estimated Educational Expenses for the Academic Year beginning Fall 2017:________________________
Please include tuition, fees, books, and supplies.

REQUIRED ESSAY
Please provide a handwritten or typed essay describing your reasons for attending college or technical school at this time in your life. In addition, please include any information that you feel would be helpful to the committee in selecting scholarship winners.

[Your application will not be considered if a written essay is not attached.]

RELEASE
By submitting this application, I hereby give my Housing Authority/Community Development Agency and the Georgia Association of Housing and Redevelopment Authorities, Inc. permission to use my name in matters relating to the promotion of this scholarship. In addition, I give them permission to review my tenant records with my sponsoring agency and/or contact my school office(s) concerning the validity of my application materials. I understand that if I submit false information on this application, I will be denied the scholarship without appeal. Furthermore, I understand that award of the scholarship shall be governed by any and all conditions established by the Committee.

Applicant:__________________________________________________________ / __________________________

Signature                  Date
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Grade Point Average/Test Scores
Certification Form

I certify that _________________________’s cumulative grade point average as of December 31, 2017, was: _____________ / on a 100 point scale (and/or) _____________ / on a 4.00 scale

SAT Score:_____________________    ACT Score:_____________________

College Placement Exam (CPE) Score:______________________________

Signature:_________________________________________ Date:__________________

School Official

Title:____________________________________________________________

School:___________________________________________________________

Address:_________________________________________________________

City:_____________________________________________________________

State:________________________ Zip Code:__________________________
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Submission Certification

The _____________________________ hereby submits the following applicant(s) for:

Name of Housing Authority or Community Development Agency

Academic Award - _____________________________
   Name of Student

Vocational/Technical Award - _____________________________
   Name of Student

I certify that the _____________________________ will cover associated costs and coordinate travel arrangements if our applicant(s) is selected as a finalist to be interviewed in Macon, Georgia at the GAHRA Spring Conference the morning of May 21, 2018.

Signature: _____________________________ Date: __________________

Executive Director
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☑️ Checklist

Application
☐ Complete Application (pages 1 and 2)
☐ Type of Scholarship applying for checked off
☐ Signed by Applicant

Support Information
☐ Written Essay
☐ Documentation of High School Graduation Date or completion of GED
☐ GPA Certification Form completed and signed by School Official
☐ Transcript of any prior college or technical/vocational courses taken
☐ Copy of SAT/ACT Scores, if applicable
☐ Copy of College Placement Exam (CPE) Score
☐ Three Letters of Support
☐ Submission Certification from Housing Authority Executive Director or Community Development Program Director
☐ Sponsorship Letter from Housing Authority Executive Director or Community Development Program Director