

Nebraska NAHRO Scholarship

Nebraska NAHRO has implemented a scholarship program for graduating seniors and non-traditional students who are preparing to enter college or secondary education as a part-time (less than 12 credit hours) or full-time (12 credit hours or more) student. Students must reside at a Nebraska NAHRO member housing agency to be eligible.

The scholarship fund will be administered by the Nebraska NAHRO scholarship committee and will offer a \$1,000.00 (for full-time student) or \$500.00 (for part-time student) scholarship to be paid for the Fall semester. The student will need to reapply each year for a continuation of the scholarship. The funds will go directly to the school that the student will be attending. The school will deposit the money in the student's account. The money may only be used to pay for tuition, books, and activities directly related to the student's education.

This scholarship will be formally presented at the Nebraska NAHRO Spring Workshop. The winner will receive a trip for him/herself and one parent/guardian to attend the workshop luncheon. For further information, contact Nebraska NAHRO Member Services Vice President, Carrie Hardage, at 308-234-3000 or email director@kearneyhousingagency.com. The application requirements and scholarship rules are as follows:

Requirement Checklist for First Time Applicants

Please complete checklist. All documents must be typewritten. Please do not fold or staple documents.

- Status – Applicant must be a high school senior or non-traditional student and reside in a Nebraska NAHRO member agency owned or managed unit throughout his/her past year and at the time of application. Public Housing residents, Section 8 participants or other low-income housing residents are eligible, as long as the agency at which they reside is a Nebraska NAHRO member.
- Minimum Grade Point Average - Student must have at least a “B” average (3.0) on his/her school's applicable scale during his/her high school career, cumulatively, to be considered for the scholarship. Note: School counselor must complete GPA form at the bottom of this application to verify grade point average.
- School Transcript – The student must provide an official copy of his/her high school transcript or the past year of college transcript. Note: If an official copy cannot be obtained from the school/college student is attending, an unofficial transcript (ie: internet copy) will be accepted if signed by the student's counselor/advisor. College students should check with Student Services to see if they will waive the fee of an official transcript.
- Application Form – The application form attached is the official form for consideration of the Nebraska NAHRO Scholarship and must be completed in its entirety. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Two Recommendations – The student must provide two recommendations: one teacher or guidance counselor recommendation and one personal, NON-FAMILY, recommendation.
- Essay – The student must submit a typewritten essay on the following topic: How my public housing and high school experiences influenced my life. (350-500 words)
- Executive Director Recommendation and Responsibilities – Student must be recommended by the Executive Director (or their designated representative) of the housing authority in a letter signed by the Executive Director. All applications must be submitted by the Executive Director. The Executive Director is responsible for verifying all application requirements and collecting all application materials. (Applications may be copied, but each application must contain an original signature. No faxes will be accepted.) Local promotion of the scholarship program is the responsibility of the housing authority. Each housing authority may submit up to two applications. Executive Director (or their designated representative) must sign Certification below.
- Deadline – All application materials must be received by Nebraska NAHRO, c/o Carrie Hardage, PO Box 1236, Kearney, NE 66848 no later than January 15, 2020.

*Note-Award of scholarship is depending on funding availability.

Requirement Checklist for Past Winners Re-applying

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1. Status –Residing at the Housing Agency does not pertain to past NE NAHRO Scholarship winners re-applying
2. Minimum Grade Point Average – To retain scholarship eligibility, previous winners of the NE NAHRO Scholarship, who wish to re-apply, must have maintained a cumulative 3.0 grade point average during his/her previous year of college. Note: Student advisor must complete GPA form at the bottom of this application to verify grade point average.
3. School Transcript – Previous winners of the NE NAHRO Scholarship that choose to re-apply must provide an official copy of their previous year of college transcript. Note: If an official copy cannot be obtained from the school/college student is attending, an unofficial transcript (ie: internet copy) will be accepted if signed by the student’s counselor/advisor. College students should check with Student Services to see if they will waive the fee of an official transcript.
4. Application Form – The application form attached is the official form for consideration of the Nebraska NAHRO Scholarship and must be completed in its entirety. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
5. Two Recommendations – The student must provide two recommendations: one teacher or guidance counselor recommendation and one personal, NON-FAMILY, recommendation.
6. Essay – The essay does not apply to previous winners of the Nebraska NAHRO Scholarship that are re-applying.
7. Executive Director Recommendation and Responsibilities – Executive Director recommendation and responsibilities do not apply to previous winners of the NE NAHRO Scholarship that are re-applying. Also, certification below does not require the Executive Director’s signature.
8. Deadline – All application materials must be received by Nebraska NAHRO, c/o Carrie Hardage, PO Box 1236, Kearney, NE 68848 no later than January 15, 2020.

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Grade Point Average
(This section MUST be completed by school counselor/advisor)

Counselor/Advisor Name _____

Phone _____

Type of Grading Scale used by school (ex 4 pt., 6 pt., 100 pt., etc) _____

***Please convert GPA to 4.0 scale or 100 point system when completing the section below:**

9th Grade _____ 10th Grade _____ 11th Grade _____

12th Grade _____ 1st yr College _____ 2nd yr College _____

3rd yr College _____ Cumulative GPA _____

***The student's official and original transcript must also be submitted with the application.**

Certification
(Must be signed by student and Executive Director)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Please verify all information is provided. Incomplete applications will be rejected.

I certify all information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further verify the application is complete and contains all items from the "Requirement Checklist".

Signature _____
Student

Signature _____
Executive Director

Date _____

Date _____

Nebraska NAHRO Scholarship Application
(please type; do not fold or staple documents)

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____

Social Security Number _____ Grade in school _____ Graduation date _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Academic Major (if any) _____ Number of Credit hours per semester _____

To what colleges have you applied?

To what colleges have you been accepted?

Summarize your academic achievements (i.e., scholarships, awards, etc.)

Are you planning to receive any financial aid/assistance?

List extracurricular school activities in which you are participating (i.e., clubs, teams, etc.)

Indicate the community activities in which you are participating (i.e., church, community service, etc.)

Indicate extracurricular and community activities in which you have participated in the past.

List any hobbies or special interests.

Indicate any jobs you are currently holding or have held in the past.

The housing authority must submit the application to Nebraska NAHRO, c/o Carrie Hardage, PO Box 1236, Kearney, NE 8848 no later than January 15, 2020.

Thank you and good luck.

In addition to the above information, you must provide the housing authority with the items indicated on the "Requirement Checklist" on the preceding pages.