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BHC Founders' Scholarship Fund – General Guidelines

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The Better Housing Coalition (BHC) envisions vibrant, sustainable communities that offer opportunities for our residents to achieve their dreams.

BHC Founders' Scholarships, established in honor of BHC co-founders Mary Tyler McClenahan and Carter McDowell, provide financial assistance to adult residents (17+) of BHC's rental communities seeking higher education. Scholarship awards are valid one year from the award date, and are paid directly to the educational institution for tuition, books, and required supplies.

The application process is now digital. BHC leasing offices may have a limited supply of printed applications available for residents interested in applying for a Founders' Scholarship. **Completed applications and supporting documents must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on May 11, 2026.**

Scholarship Amounts:

- Associate degree, certificate program, continuing education courses (i.e., CNA classes, GED): Up to \$1,000
- Bachelor or graduate degrees: Up to \$2,000

In order to be considered eligible, all of the following criteria must be met:

- The resident lives at any BHC rental community.
- The resident is 17 years of age or older.
- The resident has a designated education goal.
- The resident is in good standing with the property.
- The grant application is complete and received by the deadline above.
- The resident agrees to be the liaison between BHC and the educational institution.
- The resident must notify BHC in writing upon withdrawing from an approved course.

Enrollment in a course or college is not a requirement of the application. If an applicant who is not currently enrolled receives an award, they will have six (6) months from the award date to complete their enrollment. Should this deadline not be met, the awarded funds will be forfeited.

BHC's scholarships committee will meet to review applications. **Awards will be announced in July.**

Residents are eligible to apply for a scholarship every twelve months, and eligibility after the first award is based on academic performance. Awardees not utilizing the entire grant amount in a single semester/class are eligible to complete a renewal form for the remaining funds, provided grant criteria continues to be met. Before approving new grant applications, BHC considers a resident's compliance on previously awarded grants.

Residents seeking more information regarding the application process and/or eligibility should contact your property management or resident services staff or email scholarships@betterhousingcoalition.org.