



# **New Mexico NAHRO 2010 Scholarship Application**

**Deadline: All applications must be delivered or postmarked by  
February 26, 2010**

The New Mexico Chapter of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO) is a professional membership organization consisting of agencies and individuals throughout the State who administer housing and community development programs. The mission of the New Mexico Chapter of NAHRO is to facilitate the professional development of its membership and advocate for quality housing programs in our communities.

NM NAHRO is implementing a 2010 scholarship program for students graduating from high school and resident/participant heads of household who receive housing subsidy/assistance (i.e. Public Housing, Section 8 Voucher, Section 8 project-based, USDA Rural Development). NM NAHRO will award the following scholarships:

- One one-year \$1,000 scholarship
- Two one-year \$500 scholarships
- One one-year \$500 New Mexico Housing Development Corporation scholarship

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- The graduating senior or resident/participant head of household must have resided or received direct housing benefits for the entire year (12 months prior to the application deadline) through a qualified housing assistance program.
- The applicant must have maintained an overall 3.0 grade point average for the total of his/her high school career (for graduating seniors) and a 2.8 grade point average for the total of his/her college career (for resident/participant head of household).
- The graduating senior must commit to enrolling in a college/university or vocational training program upon high school graduation. Resident/participant head of household must have a minimum of 24 college credit hours.
- Applicant is not eligible if he/she received a scholarship from NM NAHRO in the previous year.
- Scholarship recipients will be required to submit a copy of their college or university registration or acceptance letter and a class schedule at the start of the semester for which the scholarship is to be used. Recipients may be asked to repay NM NAHRO if this requirement is not met.

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

To be eligible for the NM NAHRO scholarship, the following information must be submitted.

**INCOMPLETE OR LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!**

- Scholarship Application Form
- Housing Agency Certification signed by the Executive Director of Member Agency
- Current transcript or certified copy of grades with grade point average
- TWO letters of recommendation; one from a community leader and one from a high school/college instructor.
- An essay of *500 words or less* (**in applicant's own handwriting**) on why he/she has chosen to pursue the area of study chosen, and what influenced the applicant's choice of that area of study. **TYPED ESSAYS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
- A photograph and short (one paragraph) personal biography.

### **SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:**

An original and one copy of the completed application packet must be delivered or postmarked no later than Friday, February 26, 2010. Please send to:

NM NAHRO Scholarship Application  
Attention: Rosemary Bailey  
C/O 52 Camino de Jacobo  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87507

**\*\*\* FAXED OR EMAILED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED \*\*\***



# New Mexico NAHRO 2010 Scholarship Application Form

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: M F Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: M D S # and Ages of Children in the Home \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Housing Authority \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Length of Residency with Housing Authority/Member Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Resident Head of Household: Are you currently enrolled in college or vocational school? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what level? \_\_\_\_\_

Total Household Income: Under \$15,000 \_\_\_\_\_ \$Under \$25,000 \_\_\_\_\_ Under \$35,000 \_\_\_\_\_  
Over \$40,000 \_\_\_\_\_

Academic Major(s) you will pursue or are pursuing \_\_\_\_\_

College or vocational school you are attending or plan to attend \_\_\_\_\_

If you are currently a high school senior, please provide information about when you plan to start school, including what steps that you have taken to become eligible, and what other resources you may have available to you:

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**Summarize your academic accomplishments (i.e., Scholarships, Awards, Honor Societies), and any school activities you participate in:**

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**List some of the community activities in you have taken part in (i.e., resident activities, church groups, community service organizations, etc.):**

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**Provide any information you would like the Scholarship Committee to have that might assist in making their decision:**

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**List any jobs you have had (full and/or part time):**

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**List your hobbies and special interests:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Applicant's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_



## New Mexico NAHRO

The Public Housing Authority/Member Agency must certify that any scholarship applicant is an eligible public housing resident, Section 8 project-based property resident, USDA Rural Development property resident, or a participant in the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program. To be eligible to receive a scholarship, the graduating senior or resident/participant head of household's income cannot exceed HUD's low-income limit for that family size. **The housing authority/member agency must also be a member in good standing of the New Mexico Chapter of NAHRO.**

**Local Public Housing Authority/Member Agency Certification  
(This form must be completed and signed by the Executive Director and submitted with the scholarship application.)**

I hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_ (applicant) is a resident or participant in the following (check one):

Public Housing Program       Section 8 Voucher Program  
 Section 8 project-based property       USDA RD property

administered by this agency. The Housing Authority/Member Agency is also a member in good standing of the New Mexico Chapter of NAHRO.

Housing Authority/Member Agency Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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Executive Director's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Executive Director Name