

Dear Applicant:

This is your checklist for the NEXUS for Affordable Housing, Inc. scholarship process. **Please follow all instructions carefully.**

There are three ways to submit your application: You can download the fillable PDF version of this application at www.nexus.org/scholarship and submit it online, or type or handwrite the form and scan/email it to contact@nexusfah.org, or mail it to the address at the bottom of this page.

Remember that the items that must be completed by others (the reference letters and the form for high school seniors on page 5) must be mailed by the person who writes the recommendation or by the school. The application must reach the NEXUS office no later than **September 16, 2016**.

- NEXUS for Affordable Housing, Inc. Scholarship Application Form (5 pages)**
Please note that if you are a high school senior, Section B on page 5 must be completed and submitted to NEXUS by a school official.

- Certification of Residence Form**

- High School and/or College transcripts or High School Equivalency Certificate**
Please request your transcripts well in advance. They do not need to be sealed, official transcripts. If you have taken a break from attending school, please explain why on a separate sheet of paper. Any applications without transcripts will not be accepted.
 - **High school seniors and high school graduates:** *Please send high school transcripts.*
 - **Current college or trade school students:** *If your transcript shows at least two quarters or semesters of grades, you are only required to send college/trade school transcripts. If your current transcript shows only 1 quarter/semester of grades, you are required to send high school transcripts in addition to your current transcript.*

- Two (2) recommendations**
*Recommendation forms must be sent separately from your application, **directly from the person making the recommendation**. These recommendations can be found in this application and may be completed by teachers, employers, youth group leaders, etc.*

Please provide a copy of the form to those who will be giving the recommendation, and before the deadline, be sure to follow up to confirm that they have mailed the form in. Completed recommendations must be in the NEXUS office no later than September 16, 2016. Applications without both recommendations will not be submitted to the judges.
NOTE: These forms are two pages.

**RETURN YOUR COMPLETED
PACKET TO:
NEXUS for AffordableHousing, Inc.
1507 W. Yale Ave, Orange, CA
92867-3448**

Please direct all inquiries regarding the NEXUS for Affordable Housing, Inc. Scholarship Program to the NEXUS office at (714) 678-7511 OR contact@nexusfah.org.

Q. On what criteria are the scholarship awards based?

A. Judging is based on grades, SAT scores, your essay and need.

Q. I will be attending a community college or an online or vocational/trade school. Can I still apply?

A. Yes, applicants who will be enrolling in 4-year or community colleges or vocational schools are eligible.

Q. I forgot to include a document with my scholarship application. May I send it in after the deadline?

A. No, the deadline for receiving applications in the NEXUS office is September 16, 2016. This is a firm deadline with no extensions. Please double check your packet against the provided checklist before sending it in. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Q. Who judges the scholarship applications, and when will judging take place?

A. The NEXUS for Affordable Housing, Inc. Board of Directors
Judging will take place in October, and all applicants will be notified by November 1, 2016.

Q. What is the dollar amount of the scholarship awards?

A. Individual scholarships are awarded based on merit and need, and there is no predetermined number of winners or individual scholarship amount that will be awarded.

Q. If I win a scholarship, how and when will I receive the award check?

A. Scholarships must be used within one calendar year and will be disbursed after proof of college enrollment for Spring 2016 has been provided. In most cases, checks will be made payable to the educational institution. However, other arrangements may be reviewed by the committee as necessary.

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ELIGIBILITY: NEXUS scholarships are awarded to current residents of registered affordable housing managed by NEXUS members. Applicants must be at least 16 years of age and must be in college OR high school seniors OR high school graduates OR hold a high school equivalency certificate. Applicants must have applied to and be potentially eligible for admission for Spring 2016 to the college indicated on the scholarship application. If you are selected as a scholarship winner, you will be required to send proof of college enrollment for Spring 2016.

Please indicate which status applies to you:

- High school senior who has applied to a college or trade school
- High school graduate, or equivalent who has applied to a college or trade school
- Currently enrolled in a college or trade school

Last Name _____ First _____ MI _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

(_____) _____ (_____) _____ / ____ / ____
Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____ Date of Birth _____

Email Address _____

Please indicate which type of scholarship you are applying for:

- Academic (educational pursuit leading to a Bachelors degree or higher)
- Vocational (in preparation for a trade, such as auto mechanics or dental assisting)

Name of School Currently or Last Attended _____ Expected Graduation Date _____

School You Applied to and Anticipate Attending in Spring 2016 _____ Location _____

Anticipated College Major or Vocational Goal _____ Length of Program _____

Estimated Annual Tuition _____ Other Estimated Costs _____

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Applicant Name: _____

Describe why you wish to obtain a college education and why you are deserving of a scholarship. *(use a separate sheet of paper if needed)*

Applicant Name: _____

If you have indicated that you are **currently in college or have completed some college** coursework, please fill out **SECTION A** below and return it with your application packet.

If you have indicated that you are a **high school senior**, please write your name at the top of this form and ask a school official to fill out **SECTION B** below and have the school mail it directly back to NEXUS for Affordable Housing, Inc.

SECTION A

Note: This section is to be completed by the applicant for
Students Who Have Been or Are Currently Enrolled in College:

Has any of your college coursework been online?

Yes

No

If so, what percentage of your classes have been online?

Less than 10%

10 - 25%

25 - 50%

50 - 100%

SECTION B

Note: This section is to be completed by a school official for
High School Seniors Only:

 Current GPA (Cumulative)

 SAT Verbal

 SAT/Math

 Signature of School Official

 Name of School Official

 Name of School

 Phone Number of School Official

SCHOOL OFFICIALS:

PLEASE DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM TO THE APPLICANT.

PLEASE SEND DIRECTLY TO NEXUS

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