Peaches Manning Scholarship Requirements

All application packets must be submitted and/or postmarked by April 2, 2025, or earlier.

I. Eligibility:

- Must be a resident at a Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency (MDHA) property whose household receives subsidy.
- Must be a 2025 high school graduate or equivalent.
- Must have a passing grade point average (GPA).

II. How to Apply for Scholarship Assistance:

- Request information and application from ResidentServicesInfo@nashville-mdha.org by March 10, 2025
- Turn in completed application and the below information to your property manager's office via the drop box made to the attention of Resident Associations by April 2, 2025
 - o Copy of high school transcript;
 - o A letter supporting the character, advancements and achievements of the applicant. The letter may be from anyone with knowledge of the applicant such as a teacher, coworker or minister.
 - o A short essay describing your educational/career goals.
- You may also mail the completed application and supporting documents. If mailed, it must have a postmark date of April 2, 2025, or earlier and be addressed to the following:

Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency

Attention: RA Scholarship Committee

78 Lafayette St.

Nashville, TN 37210

If you do not receive confirmation that your application and supporting documents were received, please call the MDHA Resident Services Information line at 615-252-8527

Applicants may be required to appear for a personal interview. Interviews may also be held virtually.

III. Selection Criteria:

- The Fund Scholarship Committee, consisting wholly of individuals totally independent from MDHA and the Fund who are knowledgeable in the education field, will evaluate the potential recipients and select the finalists after reviewing all applications received. The final selection will be made by May 2, 2025.
- Selection of grant recipient(s) shall be based solely upon substantial objective standards. These standards may include academic performance, recommendations from instructors or other individuals, sources and amounts of other grants and awards and conclusions drawn regarding an applicant's motivation and character.

IV. Recipients Criteria:

- The maximum amount of any scholarship shall be \$2,000. Each scholarship will be paid in two equal installments at the beginning of the first two semesters following the award.
- The scholarship recipient must provide proof of full-time enrollment prior to the payment of the first installment.
- Payment of the second installment will be contingent upon a passing GPA during the prior semester and full-time enrollment. A recipient's failure to meet these requirements will result in the second installment being awarded to the runner-up.
- The recipient must enroll in an accredited college, university or vocational school within the United States. The course of study at such colleges or universities shall not be limited to, or conditioned upon, those that would be of particular benefit to MDHA or to the Fund.
- The terms of the scholarships and the courses of study shall be to enable the recipients to obtain an education solely for their personal benefit, and shall not include any commitments, understandings or obligations, conditional or unconditional, that the studies are undertaken by the recipients for the benefit of MDHA or the Fund or have as their objective the accomplishment benefit of any purpose of MDHA or the Fund.
- The scholarship award will be administered by the Resident Associations of MDHA.
- The grant shall be restricted to tuition and fees required for enrollment and/or for books and supplies and cannot be used for room and board or other expenses.
- The recipient must attend the scholarship reception and agree to be photographed. The scholarship reception will be held in person in compliance with current COVID-19 health and safety guidelines or virtually.

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