



2022 Educational Scholarship Program Requirements

Available Scholarships:

- CDA 4-Year College & University Educational Scholarship - \$2,000
- CDA 2-Year Vocational & Technical College Educational Scholarship - \$1,000
- Ken Dahl Memorial Vocational Scholarship¹ - \$1,000
- Front-line Futures Certificate Program² - \$1,000

* All awarded scholarships are not to exceed actual school program cost. If additional funds remain available, the scholarship amount may increase.

¹ The Ken Dahl Memorial Vocational Scholarship is offered in honor of Ken Dahl, a Scott County CDA Housing Rehabilitation Coordinator, whose life was tragically cut short in 2020. Ken was a kind, devoted coworker who dedicated his life to the housing and construction field. This scholarship will be awarded to a student seeking a degree in housing, construction, and additional related fields.

² The Front-line futures program was created for those currently working in front line positions – in retail, restaurant, grocery stores, or anywhere that has direct contact with customers. This program allows candidates to up-skill through a certificate program that would provide for career growth or create a new career pathway.

Eligibility requirements are:

- Applicants must be a resident of a housing unit owned by Scott County CDA or a current participant in a rent assistance program administered by Scott County CDA.
- Applicants must be planning to or are in the process of working toward a certificate, Associate's degree, or Bachelor's degree. Scholarships are not eligible for Master's or Post-Graduate degrees.
- Applicants who are currently High School Seniors must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale.
- The university, college, or vocational program applicants are enrolled or plan to be enrolled in must be an accredited educational program.
- If applying for the CDA 4-Year College & University Educational Scholarship, the applicant must be enrolled in a 4-year post-secondary program beginning no later than Fall Semester 2022 and graduating no earlier than Spring Semester 2023.
- If applying for the CDA 2-Year Vocational & Technical College Educational Scholarship, the applicant must be enrolled in a 2-year Vocational & Technical College beginning no later than Fall Semester 2022 and graduating no earlier than Spring Semester 2023.
- If applying for the Ken Dahl Memorial Vocational Scholarship, the applicant must be enrolled in a 2 year Vocational & Technical College and majoring in construction or related housing fields beginning no later than Fall Semester 2022 and graduating no earlier than Spring Semester 2023.
- If applying for the Front-line Futures Certificate Program, the applicant must be a front line worker, defined as an individual working in retail, restaurant service, grocery stores, or any additional employment that requires direct contact with customers. The applicant must be enrolled in a Certificate program course beginning no later than Fall Semester 2022.

Required documents are:

- A typed essay, 750-1,000 words in length, single spaced, 12pt black font, answering the following questions:
 - Where do you see yourself in the next four years and how will this scholarship help you achieve those goals?
 - What are you doing now to achieve those goals?

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Required documents continued:

- Two letters of recommendation
 - Letters of recommendation should be from someone familiar with the applicant's academic and/or work performance such as teachers, school officials, or supervisors.
 - Letters of recommendation should not be written by the applicant's family or friends.
- If the applicant is a High School Senior, applicant's high school transcript is also required. This needs to be mailed **directly from the high school to our agency**.

How to apply:

Applications can be downloaded from our website, www.scottcda.org, or can be mailed to you upon request. Once completed, return the application and all required documents to Scott County CDA via drop box, mail, fax, or email.

Application Deadlines:

The deadline to submit applications for all four Scott County CDA scholarships is Monday, April 25th at 4:00pm. Applications must be complete and received in full by the deadline. Late submissions will not be accepted.

** To be considered for an additional \$1,000 scholarship through MN NAHRO (National Association of Housing & Redevelopment Officials), please contact Andy directly for more information and a full list of requirements. Consideration for this scholarship does require an additional application and documents due March 18th at gam.

Award Distribution:

Applications will be reviewed by the CDA Scholarship Committee following the April 25th deadline. Recipients will be notified by mail of award status and award letters will be mailed no later than the week of May 9th. Amounts awarded may increase depending on the number of applications received, but will not exceed actual program costs.

If you have questions about scholarship program, please contact: Andy Harrell at aharrell@scottcda.org or (952) 641-5189.

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First Name:

Last Name:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Telephone:

Date of Birth:

High School Information

This section is required only for current High School Seniors.

Name of High School Attending:

Address:

Date of graduation:

Higher Education Institution Information

Please list the school you have been accepted to study at or are currently enrolled at. If you still waiting on notification of acceptance, please provide which schools you have applied for admission to. Utilize additional blank pages, if necessary.

Name:

Address:

Status of Admission:

Applied

Accepted

Currently Enrolled

Start Date:

Anticipated Graduation Date:

Planned Field of Study:

Academic or Community Activities and/or Achievements

Describe school or community activities and achievements which provide evidence of your personal motivation and initiative. Utilize additional blank pages, if necessary.

By submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is accurate to the best of my ability. I authorize information concerning this application and its required documents be made available to the Scott County CDA's Scholarship Committee. (For High School Seniors only): Additionally, I authorize my academic record and rank provided by my high school be made available to the Scott County CDA's Scholarship Committee

Signature of Applicant:

Date:

Parent or Guardian signature:

(If applicant is under 18 years of age)

Date:

**All required documents must accompany this application to be eligible for consideration.