



2026 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Richmond Heights Community Development Corporation, a not for profit corporation, reserves the right to review the conditions and procedures of this scholarship program and to make changes at any time including termination of the program.

PURPOSE: The Richmond Heights CDC awards Five (5) \$1000.00 Scholarships to college-bound high school seniors based on demonstrated academic achievement, character, community service activities, extra-curricular activities and financial need.

CRITERIA: The students eligible for assistance must be graduating high school seniors who resides, or is a member of a church, in Richmond Heights and intend to continue their education at a college or university. Consideration will be given to academic achievement, financial need and the student's community service record. Students must submit a scholarship application on the form provided by the Richmond Heights Community Development Corporation. All information will be treated as confidential.

GUIDELINES: Scholarships will be awarded fall and spring semester of the freshman year and disbursed in two equal payments in August and January. Students must have no lower than a 2.0 grade-point average.

AMOUNT: Each scholarship awarded will be a minimum of \$1,000. All scholarship awards will be made payable to the student and college or university.

DEADLINE: All applications MUST be submitted by US Mail and postmarked on or before the deadline, May 7, 2026. The deadline is the date after which applications will no longer be accepted. The Richmond Heights CDC uses the postmarked date to determine mailed entries. Emailed or faxed applications will NOT be accepted.

MAIL TO:
Richmond Heights CDC
PO Box 163434
Miami, FL 33116

SELECTION: Recipients are selected by Richmond Heights CDC Scholarship Committee. Decisions of the scholarship committee are final and are not subject to appeal. The program is competitive; not all applicants will be selected as recipients. Applicants should be prepared for an interview with the scholarship committee. Neither the scholarship committee, nor the staff, will release justification for recipient selections.

NOTIFICATION: All applicants will be notified by USPS Certified Mail on or before June 1st.

REQUIREMENTS: Only completed applications will be accepted and are required to include the following:

- Be a High School Graduating Senior
- Have a GPA of 2.0 or above
- A Statement of Financial Need detailing specific and personal reasons why you feel you deserve and/or need financial assistance (you may include any deficits in a financial aid package, family income and personal need. Personal need may include special circumstances, such as personal hardship or financial difficulty that contributes to the applicant's financial need).
- Official high school transcripts (must include seal).
- An official acceptance letter from a College or University verifying enrollment for the upcoming fall semester.
- Submit a 3x5 inch photograph with the application.

RENEWAL: Based on availability of funds, the renewable scholarship will be available to undergraduate students only. Each student shall be eligible to receive \$500 per semester (Spring & Fall) up to a maximum of three years, provided all of the requirements are met as outlined in the renewable scholarship application. All students **MUST** re-apply, each semester, in order to be considered for the renewable scholarship. Students receiving a Renewable Scholarship will be reviewed for two standards to determine renewable scholarship eligibility:

- Must have no lower than a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- Must be a full-time student, in good academic standing, with a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester and must be continuously enrolled in order to receive the scholarship for the next semester.

Questions? Contact us...
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2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

This is a fillable PDF form. Please type all information.

Student Information

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____ Phone (home) _____

City _____ Zip _____ Phone (cell) _____

Church Name _____ Email _____

Parents' or Guardians' Information

Father/Male Guardian	Mother/Female Guardian
Name	Name
Occupation	Occupation
Yearly Salary/Income	Yearly Salary/Income
Other Sources of Income	Other Sources of Income

Family Information

Total Number in Household _____

Name	Relationship	Age

If more space is needed, attach a separate page to the application

Student's Academic Information

Name of High School _____

Grade Point Average (GPA) _____

Clubs or Organizations in which you participated or are currently active

Organization	Office Held	Year(s)

Student's Community Involvement

List Community Service Projects or Activities Completed

Project Name	Project Location Name	Dates and Hours Completed

If more space is needed, attach a separate page to the application

Future Plans

Name of the college you plan to attend _____

City _____ State _____ Have you applied? Yes ___ No ___

Have you received a letter of acceptance? Yes ___ No ___ (a copy of your *official* letter of acceptance is required.)

Intended Major _____

Briefly describe your career goals:

Personal Statement

In the space provided (**please type**), write a brief statement detailing **specific** and **personal** reasons why you feel you **deserve** and/or **need** financial assistance. Focus on your achievements, service, personal accomplishments, and any obstacles that you have overcome. If you need more space you may attach an additional sheet of paper.

References

List three references from the categories listed.

Reference #1-Academic Reference

List one reference who can attest to your academic character and achievement.
This can be a teacher in a core subject (English, math, science, social studies), or a counselor.

Name	Job Title	School Phone	
School Address	City	Zip	

Reference #2-Church Reference

List one reference who can attest to your church involvement. This can be a church leader
(Youth Pastor, Pastor, or other church leader who knows you personally and is NOT an immediate family member)

Name	Position in Ministry	Church Phone	
Church Address	City	Zip	

Reference #3-Community Reference

List one reference who can attest to your community involvement. This can be a community leader.
This person may be a church member who is also a community leader who knows you personally or who is familiar with your service.

Name	Community Service Title	Phone	
Address	City	Zip	

Signatures

I hereby declare that all of the above statements are true. I have also included with this application the necessary official transcript and letter of acceptance to a College/University in sealed envelopes. I agree to accept the decision of the Scholarship Committee of Richmond Heights Community Development Corporation, Inc.

Student's Signature _____

Date _____

Parent's/Guardian's Signature _____

Date _____