

NAHMA Educational Foundation Thanks Its Supporters and Looks Ahead to 2021

Alexandria, Va., March 5, 2021 — The National Affordable Housing Management Association (NAHMA) <u>Educational Foundation</u> recently concluded its 2020 program year, during which it awarded a total of \$270,000 to worthy postsecondary school students who are residents of NAHMA and Affordable Housing Management Association (AHMA) member properties.

Over the life of the program, more than \$1,955,000 has been awarded to NAHMA scholars. In 2020, 108 worthy student residents received \$2,500 each. The scholars came from 20 different states and the District of Columbia, and represent 13 different regional AHMAs.

The 2021 <u>scholarship application</u> is currently available to prospective applicants. Any resident in good standing at an AHMA- or NAHMA-affiliated apartment community that is a high school graduate or general equivalency diploma holder and is enrolled at an accredited community college, college/university or trade/technical school is eligible to apply. High school seniors are also eligible to apply.

The application is available at <u>https://nahma.communityforce.com</u>. The application must be completed online and May 15, 10 p.m. EDT is the deadline for finalized applications. Completed applications must include an application form, two academic and/or professional references, an essay, official grade transcript and a certification of residency in good standing form. For more details on applying for a NAHMA Educational Foundation scholarship, contact Dr. Bruce W. Johnson, NAHMA scholarship program administrator, at <u>bjohnson@tmo.com</u> or at 215-262-4230.

"The NAHMA Educational Foundation Board of Directors is so very appreciative of the continuing generosity of our many donors during these difficult times. Their support will allow the foundation to continue making \$2,500 individual awards in 2021. So please encourage your residents to apply for a scholarship this year," NAHMA Educational Foundation chairperson, Alice Fletcher, said.

In addition, the NAHMA Educational Foundation has key fundraising events planned for 2021, including the premier benefit dinner in October, held in conjunction with NAHMA's annual meeting in Washington, D.C. The dinner also incorporates the Drug-Free Kids Calendar poster auction, as well as other live and silent auction items. A separate ticket is required to attend the dinner.

Meanwhile, <u>donations</u> may be made to the foundation at any time, by visiting the <u>NAHMA Educational</u> <u>Foundation</u> webpage and downloading the foundation <u>brochure</u>. Also posted on this webpage are videos highlighting the work of the foundation.

With the close of the program year, the NAHMA Educational Foundation would like to thank its major supporters in 2020:

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For a complete list of all donors of \$100 or more, visit the <u>NAHMA Educational Foundation</u> webpage.

The foundation would also like to thank the NAHMA Educational Foundation gala organizers, including Stefanie Lee, chair of the gala event Planning Committee; Gemi Ozdemir, Dauby O'Connor & Zaleski; Amber Day, TrashPro; Karin McGrath Dunn, PRD Management; and Alice Fletcher, Park Properties and NAHMA Educational Foundation chair, for a successful October 2020 virtual fundraiser.

For more details on the mission of the NAHMA Educational Foundation and opportunities to support its work, contact Brenda Moser at <u>brenda.moser@nahma.org</u>.

The NAHMA Educational Foundation is organized and operated exclusively as a Section 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Founded in October 1994, the NAHMA Educational Foundation works to assist residents of federally subsidized housing as they strive to enhance their lives, job opportunities and children's futures. Its mission is also to enhance the livability and standing of communities managed by

NAHMA member companies nationwide. For more information, visit www.nahma.org/about/educational-foundation.

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