2020 APPLICATION
(Information should be **Typed** or **Printed Legibly**)

**Mission Statement**

The purpose of the Building Our Future Scholarship Program is to provide access to higher education for youth of Habitat for Humanity families. The Fund helps awardees achieve a prosperous future, while improving the economic and civic health of our society.

The Fund offers two scholarships:

1. **Trade Scholarship**: The Trade Scholarship (**maximum $1,000**) is for applicants seeking a diploma or certification from a trade or technical school.
2. **College Scholarship**: The College Scholarship (**maximum $2500**) is for applicants planning to enroll or currently enrolled in a two-year associate or four-year bachelor degree program from a university.

**Requirements**

1. Applicant must be, at the time of the application deadline, between the ages of 17 and 23.
2. Applicant must be a legal resident of the State of Ohio, and must have lived for six months in a Habitat for Humanity home.
3. Applicant must have a parent, step parent, or guardian who is a Habitat for Humanity homeowner in the State of Ohio.
4. Applicant must complete at least sixteen volunteer hours at an Ohio Habitat for Humanity affiliate. This must be in addition to sweat equity hours.
5. Scholarship awards will be applied to tuition only, at an accredited college, university, or trade school in the State of Ohio.
6. College and Returning Student Scholarships are limited to two-year associate or four-year bachelor degree programs. Scholarships are available **only** for colleges or universities listed in the Higher Learning Commission directory of institutions ([http://www.hlcommission.org/Directory-of-HLC-Institutions.html](http://www.hlcommission.org/Directory-of-HLC-Institutions.html)) in Ohio and with a current status of “Accredited”.

7. The Trade Scholarship is limited to diploma or certification programs. Scholarships are available only for technical or trade schools listed in the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC) directory (http://www.accsc.org/Directory/index.aspx) in Ohio and currently accredited.

8. Applicant must be enrolled for the equivalent of a minimum of six credit hours per semester.

9. Applicants must submit an official copy of his or her most recent transcript.

10. Awardees must use the scholarship within 12 months of receiving notification that he or she has been selected for the award. The scholarship will be paid directly to the institution of higher learning upon verification of enrollment, in accordance with the respective institution’s financial aid policies.

11. Awardees must provide a letter of acceptance from his or her intended university or trade school (or, if currently enrolled, a recent transcript, report card, or other proof of current enrollment) in order to be eligible for the award.

12. Priority will be given to applicants who have demonstrated a commitment to volunteerism and whose intended college or trade school programs have (1) resulted in high percentages of gainful employment for its graduates and (2) require primarily classroom coursework as opposed to on-line classes.

13. Applicants and awardees must accept all determinations of the scholarship selection Committee as final.
1. BIOGRAPHICAL PROFILE

First Name: ________________________________

Last Name: ________________________________

Street Address: ________________________________

City: ________________________________ Zip: __________

How long have you lived at this address? ________________

Phone Number: ________________________________

Email: ________________________________

Date of birth: Month ___________ Day _______ Year ______

Employment:

Company______________________________

Position______________________________

Supervisor______________________________

Phone______________________________
2. **ACADEMIC PROFILE**

Select the scholarship you are applying for:

- [ ] Trade Scholarship
- [ ] College Scholarship

What is the name of the school you plan to attend?

______________________________________________________________

Accepted by school: Yes______  No_______

Major/Area of Study___________________________________________

Intended Course Load_________________________________________

Starting Date/Semester:________________________________________

Check one of the responses below that best describes where you plan to live while you are in trade school or college:

- [ ] live at home
- [ ] live in the dorms
- [ ] live off-campus with other students
- [ ] live nearby with other family members
- [ ] take on-line classes from home
- [ ] other—Explain: ___________________________________________

List any applications for financial aid (such as the FAFSA) you have completed:

________________________________________________________________

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3. FAMILY PROFILE

Number of family members staying in residence __________

Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

Last Name: ________________________________ First Name: ________________________________

Street Address: ________________________________________________________________

City: ________________________________ Zip: _____________

Employment (check one): ___employed  ___unemployed  ___disability  ___retired

Company: ________________________________

Position: ________________________________

Supervisor: ________________________________ Phone: ________________

Last Name ______________ First Name ______________

Street Address: ________________________________________________________________

City: ________________________________ Zip: _____________

Employment (check one): ___employed  ___unemployed  ___disability  ___retired

Company: ________________________________

Position: ________________________________

Supervisor: ________________________________ Phone: ________________
Gross annual family income (check one):

___ below $15,000
___ $15,000-$24,999
___ $25,000-$34,999
___ $35,000-$44,999
___ $45,000-$54,999
___ $55,000-$64,999
___ $65,000 and above

4. SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

List school activities you have participated in during high school (e.g. student government, clubs, music, sports, etc.). Indicate special awards and honors. List leadership positions and offices held.

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<th>School Advisor and Phone Number</th>
<th>Awards/Honors</th>
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5. COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER SERVICE ACTIVITIES

List community and volunteer activities in which you have participated without pay within the last three years (e.g. Habitat for Humanity other than sweat equity, youth group, church, volunteer at a nursing home, recycling project, etc.). Indicate your duties and special awards/honors for each volunteer service activity.

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6. ESSAY

Please answer the following and submit your responses as an attachment to this application.

1. What do you expect to gain from your trade school or college educational experience? Explain how this education will help your planned career. Explain the skills and/or knowledge you expect to acquire that will benefit you in the future.

2. Describe your employment goals and aspirations for the future. For example, do you hope to become an expert in your chosen trade or field of study, start your own business, or seek a career in public service?

3. Explain your financial need for this scholarship. Describe how much of your education is funded and how much student debt you expect to have upon graduation. Explain what you have done to finance your education costs, for example: other applications you have made for financial aid, student loans, etc.
RELEASE/AGREEMENT

I acknowledge the information given on this application to be the truth. I grant Habitat for Humanity the use of my name, photograph, and other information (except personal family and financial information) provided in this application for purposes of news, publicity, publication, and all current and future promotions of this program.

I agree to the terms and conditions of the Building Our Future Scholarship Program as outlined in the application. I will accept any decisions or actions taken by the Scholarship Program or its representatives as final.

Applicant Signature __________________________________ Date ______________

Parent/Guardian Signature __________________________________ Date ______________

APPLICATION PACKET:

1. **Completed Application**
   - Complete Application Form
   - Essays

2. **Transcript**
   - Trade Scholarship and College Scholarship applicants must submit their high school transcript. Returning Student Scholarship applicants must submit their university transcript.
   - Transcripts must be an official copy bearing the school seal. Transcripts must be in an envelope sealed and secured with the official school stamp.
Place completed application and transcript (in its sealed envelope) in one envelope and mail to:

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF OHIO
88 E. BROAD STREET, SUITE 1800
COLUMBUS, OH 43215

The application packet must be mailed by May 1, 2020.

The Awardee will receive a SCHOLARSHIP AWARD LETTER by mail. The monetary award will be presented to the school after receipt of financial aid documentation from the post-secondary school of acceptance.

Applicants not receiving a scholarship will be notified via email by May 31st.

All questions should be directed to Ryan Miller at 615-545-7835 or RMiller@occh.org.