



William Morehouse Scholarship Application

Presented by:

The New York State Builders Association

Research and Education Foundation (NYSBA REF)

As a member of the New York State Builders Association (NYSBA), William (Bill) Morehouse has provided members with insurance coverage for more than thirty-five years. Bill served as Executive Officer of the Home Builders Association of Mohawk Valley for 30 years, along with providing complimentary office space for ten of those years. Bill’s generosity and ingenuity helped to initiate the NYSBA Research and Education Foundation.

As steward of an obsolete insurance trust, Bill approached NYSBA to discuss the possibility of utilizing the funds to seed an organization that would benefit the industry. As a result, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization Research and Education Foundation (REF), was formed.

A scholarship program was developed and became recognized amongst our local home builder affiliates. As a tribute to Bill’s commitment to the industry, the Research & Education Foundation scholarship program was named in his honor in recognition of his relentless dedication to the industry and members, along with acknowledging his stewardship, generosity and commitment to the future leaders of the industry.

The William Morehouse Scholarship was instituted to assist students who are entering a course of study **SPECIFIC to the residential construction industry**. Its purpose is to assist students in their pursuit of a career in residential construction and to provide employers in New York State with a strong, industry-qualified workforce.

Deadlines:

- Student to send application to local HBA/set up interview April 12, 2023
- Local HBA to send completed application/interview to NYSBA REF April 26, 2023

Applicant Rules, Regulations and *Deadlines*

Student must set up an interview along with email/ mailing their application and materials to Local HBA who will conduct the interview by: April 12, 2023

Student Interview must be completed by Local HBA. Local HBA signs and completes appropriate forms and then forwards student application and materials to the NYSBA REF. Materials must be received in the NYSBA REF Office by: April 26, 2023

Eligibility Requirements:

- 1) ***Applicant MUST be a high school senior, high school graduate, or a college student attending or planning to attend a one-, two- or four-year college or a certificate program.***
- 2) *The William Morehouse Scholarship was instituted to assist students who are entering a course of study SPECIFIC to the residential construction industry. Its purpose is to assist students in their pursuit of a career in residential construction and to provide employers in New York State with a strong, industry-qualified workforce.*

Applicant **MUST desire and PURSUE** a career **SPECIFIC to the residential construction field**. A dual degree in related fields is acceptable. Student can be enrolled full or part time.

- 3) Applicant must be a U.S. citizen or documented permanent resident of the United States (i.e. must possess a “green card”.)
- * ***Applicant is responsible for contacting NYSBA Local Affiliated HBA for sponsorship and matching funds information. Please refer to the list of local HBA Affiliates, as follows:***

New York State Builders Association Local Affiliates

ABO – Associated Builders & Owners of Great New York (New York County)

Jay Martin, EO – jmartin@abogny.com / (212) 385-4949

BACI – Building & Allied Construction Industries of Westchester (Westchester County)

Tim Foley, EO – tim@buildersinstitute.org / (202) 266-8313

Buffalo Niagara Builders Association (Cattaraugus, Chautauqua & Erie Counties)

Joe Benedict, EO – jbenedict@conexbuff.com / (716) 874-3435

Home Builders & Remodelers Association of Central New York (Cayuga, Onondaga, Oswego Otsego & Madison Counties)

Mary Thompson, EO – mmt@hbrcnny.com / (315) 463-6261

Capital Region Builders & Remodelers Association (Albany, Columbia, Greene, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady Counties)

Kristen Egelston, EO – kristen@crbra.com / (518) 579-0066

Finger Lakes Home Builders & Remodelers Association (Chemung, Schuyler, Steuben & Yates Counties)

Donna Ciancio, EO – donna@sthbra.com / (607) 785-9285

Long Island Builders Institute (Nassau & Suffolk Counties)

Mitch Pally, CEO – mike@libi.org/ (631) 232-2345

Mohawk Valley Builders Association (Herkimer & Oneida Counties)

Tracy Page, EO – EO@hbrmv.org/ (315) 798-8858

Niagara Region Construction Alliance (Niagara County)

EO – ExecOfficer@NiagaraRCA.com/ (716) 693-5736

Building Industry Association of New York City (Kings & Richmond Counties)

Alan Becker, EO – abecker@bianyc.org/ (718) 720-3070

Queens & Bronx Builders Association (Bronx, Queens Counties)

Vicki Miller, NYSBA – vmiller@nysba.com/ (518) 465-2492

Rochester Home Builders Association (Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca & Wayne Counties)

Rick Herman, EO – rick@rochesterhomebuilders.com/ (585) 272-8222

Southern Tier Home Builders & Remodelers Association (Broome, Chenango & Tioga Counties)

Donna Ciancio, EO – donna@sthbra.com/ (607) 785-9285

Tompkins/Cortland Builders & Remodelers Association (Cortland & Tompkins Counties)

Bruno Schickel, – info@schickelconstruction.com/ (607) 844-4790

Any counties that are not listed above, please contact **Vicki Miller at the NYSBA REF**, for assistance
vmiller@nysba.com/ (518) 465-2492 *113

Student Applicant Requirements:

Student Applicant is responsible for ensuring the following be completed and submitted to sponsoring local HBA (as one package) by:

- ✓ Completed and signed, four-page application;
- ✓ Three evaluation forms;
 - One (1) form completed by high school or college advisor
 - Two (2) forms completed by any two adults *not* related to the applicant.
- ✓ Official transcript (see a & b on Page 7);
- ✓ Copy of acceptance letter from the college that applicant plans on attending;
- ✓ (If possible) A head & shoulder photograph (i.e. high school yearbook photo or professional photo) of applicant and signed photo release form; (1st time Applicants only)
- ✓ Applicant must be sponsored and interviewed by a NYSBA affiliated Home Builders Association (HBA) who will guarantee the scholarship matching funds;
- ✓ **Don't Forget:** A **"Thank You"** note to the sponsoring local affiliate HBA, acknowledging the interview and consideration for their scholarship.

Sponsoring Local HBA:

- ✓ Send completed **"Commitment to Match"** for the NYSBA REF's **William Morehouse Scholarship** form to the offices of the NYSBA REF.
- ✓ Send completed **"Conducting the Interview"** form to NYSBA REF. **PLEASE NOTE: Interviews must be conducted with all applicants.**
- ✓ Forward applicants completed application materials/package to NYSBA Research & Education Foundation (NYSBA REF), 77 Miller Road, Suite 200, Castleton, NY 12033 or email completed materials to vmiller@nysba.com Incomplete submissions will not be accepted. After interview is conducted, Local HBA to submit all materials to NYSBA REF by **April 29, 2023**.

Awards

- 1) Scholarship will be a minimum of \$500 per applicant per year and may be renewable for the full tenure of undergraduate study in eligible fields.
- 2) Applications will be reviewed by the NYSBA REF Scholarship Committee and recipients selected by the NYSBA REF's Board of Directors, which will be based on the Scholarship Committee's notes and recommendations.
- 3) Awards will be announced once approved by the NYSBA REF Board in late spring or early summer.
- 4) **Checks will be presented to recipient at a meeting/event of the sponsoring local HBA prior to the beginning of the school year. Checks will not be sent to the college.**
- 5) For subsequent awards, scholarship winners are required to provide indications of continued need, continued interest in construction or a construction related field, continued enrollment and good standing in a college program leading to a degree in an eligible field of study. Transcripts and upcoming class schedule must be forwarded at time of application for each academic period. Recipient is encouraged to seek summer employment in construction or a construction related field at some time during undergraduate enrollment. Current recipients may reapply for subsequent awards using the ***William Morehouse Scholarship Application for Return Applicants***. Renewal is not guaranteed.

Application Checklist

NOTE: This checklist is for your convenience only and does not need to be submitted as part of your application.

Applicant Responsibilities:

- Application completed and signed (4 pages)
- Evaluation form from high school/ college advisor
- Evaluations from non-related adults (2 separate forms)
- Official Transcript from high school or college
- Letter of Acceptance from College(s)
- Signed photograph release – *(first time applicants only)*
- Head & shoulder photo (i.e. high school yearbook photo or other professional picture) *(If possible) – (first time applicants only)*

Don't Forget: It is always good form to send a "Thank You" note to the sponsoring local HBA acknowledging the interview and for being considered for the scholarship.

Applicant's application and material must be emailed/submitted to sponsoring local HBA no later than April 12, 2023.

Sponsoring HBA Responsibilities:

- 'Commitment to Match' form, completed and signed by Local HBA Representative to be sent to NYSBA REF
- 'Conducting the Interview' form, completed and signed by HBA Representative (3 pages) to be sent to NYSBA REF
- Applicants completed forms sent along with above information, to NYSBA REF

ALL application materials must be submitted by sponsoring local HBA to NYSBA REF, no later than April 26, 2023.

NYSBA REF
77 Miller Road, Suite 200
Castleton, NY 12033
Attn: W.M. Scholarship