



About the Foundation

The Building Industry Charitable Foundation (formerly known as the HBA of Greater Columbia Charitable Foundation, Inc.) was incorporated under S.C. Law in 1993 under bequest from the Home Builders Association of Greater Columbia, which provided the initial funding. The Foundation was established for the purpose of contributing to individuals, programs and organizations in need of assistance.

The work of the Foundation is wide reaching and provides assistance to programs benefiting young and old alike, including the awarding of student scholarships to children of those families in the housing industry. The Foundation, in its work, highlights the commitment and generosity of the building industry to a better quality of life for all residents of the Midlands of South Carolina.

Selection

The Scholarship Selection Committee meets in the spring of each year to review scholarship applications. Awards will be made by the Trustees pursuant to adopted procedures and by final approval of the Foundation's Board of Trustees. Applicants who have already been awarded a scholarship in previous years have an ongoing duty to reapply each year. Furthermore, recipients who fail to reapply will not be considered for scholarship for the year. Finally, Trustees have the right to change the applicant's scholarship classification.

Each application must include a copy of the applicant's academic transcript. Although not required, applicants are encouraged to include a resume. Applications are due no later than **Monday April 17, 2023 at 12:00pm (NO EXCEPTIONS).**

For questions about scholarships or the application process, please contact Makenzie Brown at makenzie@columbiabuilders.com.

Available Scholarships

Building Industry Scholarship

This scholarship may be awarded to members or children of members who are good standing of the Building Industry of Central SC. The purpose of the scholarship is to assist in their pursuit of a post-secondary degree. The Charitable Foundation will determine the amount awarded, generally not to exceed \$1,500 per student the first year of the awarded. Nonetheless, each subsequent year that the student receives this scholarship, he/she is eligible for a \$250 increase. Priority will be given to students that present academic excellence and financial need. To be considered, each applicant must meet all of the below-stated eligibility requirements.

Eligibility:

- All scholarship applicants must satisfy the following academic requirements:
 - Be a graduating high school senior accepted by or currently enrolled in an accredited two-year junior college, technical college, or a four-year university in South Carolina; and
 - Have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.8 on a four-point scale for four-year schools, and 2.0 on a four-point scale for two-year schools.
 - *Trustees have the right to waive the grade point average based on majority consent and approval of the Foundation's Board of Trustees*
- Applicant must be or is a child of a parent/guardian who is a member in good standing of the BIA of Central SC for a period of at least 3 years.
 - If applicant fails to meet this requirement, a member in good standing of the BIA of Central SC for a period of at least 3 years may nominate the applicant.

Note: Applications for professional or certificate programs will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Additionally, applications for out-of-state institutions to be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Ernie Magaro Scholarship

This scholarship may be awarded to an individual in pursuit of a four-year degree from a public school in South Carolina with a concentration in residential construction and/or land development. The Board of Trustees of the Charitable Foundation will determine the amount awarded, generally not to exceed \$5,000 per student per year. To be considered, each applicant must meet all of the below-stated eligibility requirements.

Eligibility:

- Satisfies all the eligibility requirements of the Building Industry Scholarship.
- Pursuing a four-year degree with a concentration in residential construction and/or land development.
- Attending a South Carolina Public School.

Available Scholarships - continued

John B. Nieri Scholarship

This scholarship may be awarded to an individual pursuing a construction related degree. The Board of Trustees of the Charitable Foundation will determine the amount awarded, generally not to exceed \$3,000 per student per year. To be considered, each applicant must meet all of the below-stated eligibility requirements.

Eligibility:

- Satisfies all the eligibility requirements of the Building Industry Scholarship.
- Student is pursuing a construction related degree.

Note: Applications for professional or certificate programs will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Additionally, applications for out-of-state institutions to be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Jon Ryall Scholarship

This scholarship may be awarded to an individual in pursuit of a four-year degree from Clemson University. The Board of Trustees of the Charitable Foundation will determine the amount awarded, generally not to exceed \$2,000 per student per year. To be considered, each applicant must meet all of the below-stated eligibility requirements.

Eligibility:

- Satisfies all the eligibility requirements of the Building Industry Scholarship.
- Pursing a four-year degree from Clemson University.

Franklin David Clark 'The Dash' Scholarship

This scholarship may be awarded to an individual in pursuit of a four-year degree from the University of South Carolina with a degree in Business and an interest in employment within the construction field. The Board of Trustees of the Charitable Foundation will determine the amount awarded, generally not to exceed \$3,500 per student per year. To be considered, each applicant must meet all of the below-stated eligibility requirements.

Eligibility:

- Satisfies all the eligibility requirements of the Building Industry Scholarship.
- Pursing a four-year Business degree from the University of South Carolina.
- Student presents an interest in being employed within the construction field.

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