



## HOUSING ALLIANCE OF VALLEY EMPLOYEES SOUTH TEXAS REGION

### 2019 Scholarship Application

**DEADLINE:** Must be postmarked by April 5, 2019  
or  
Hand-Delivered by 3:00 p.m. to:  
McAllen Housing Authority  
2301 Jasmine Ave., McAllen, TX 78501

#### HOUSING ALLIANCE OF VALLEY EMPLOYEES:

##### Background:

The Housing Alliance of Valley Employees South Texas Region (H.A.V.E. S.T.R.) is a professional membership organization consisting of agencies and individuals who administer housing and community development in the South Texas Region and is the leading advocate for the provision of adequate and affordable housing and strong, viable communities for families, particularly those with low and moderate incomes. H.A.V.E. S.T.R. provides annual scholarships to deserving students graduating from high school whose families are Public Housing or Section 8 Program Residents.

The Scholarship Evaluation Committee will give extra consideration to students who have achieved a special level of distinction in their community because of their concern for humanity. Students who have responded to a crisis or who have created a resource to address a need in their community are good candidates for this scholarship.

#### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants for H.A.V.E. S.T.R. Scholarship  
Must:

1. Be a Public Housing or Section 8 Program Resident
2. Be a Graduating High School Student
3. Demonstrate exceptional school attendance.
4. Demonstrate high academic achievement.
5. Demonstrate leadership and/or high level of motivation.
6. Be a Resident of a Public Housing Authority/CD Agency that is a member in good standing with H.A.V.E. S.T.R.

#### APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

Applicant **MUST** submit a packet consisting of one (1) Original and One (1) Copy of the following information:

\_\_\_\_ Wallet Sized Senior Pictures (optional)

\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Application

\_\_\_\_ H.A.V.E. S.T.R. Scholarship Local  
Housing Agency's Certification signed

by  
Executive Director

\_\_\_\_ Transcript or Certified Copy of Grades

\_\_\_\_ Two (2) Letters of Recommendation:

- One must be from a community Leader
- Other must be from a High School Instructor

*The Scholarship Evaluation Committee may waive formalities in scholarship application review and award.*

**SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:**

An Original and One (1) copy of your H.A.V.E. S.T.R. Scholarship Application packet must be postmarked by **April 5, 2019**. Hand-Delivered Applications should be submitted by **3:00 p.m.** Please send to: **McAllen Housing Authority**

**2301 Jasmine Ave., McAllen, TX 78501**

*NO FAXED APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.*

Your local Housing Agency should provide assistance in completing your application.

Examples of assistance include:

- \* Making copies of the application packet
- \* Providing postage
- \* Providing one of the recommendations
- \* Providing Senior Photos

In addition, your Local Housing Agency MUST certify that any scholarship applicant is an eligible Public Housing or Section 8 Program Resident. To be eligible to receive a scholarship, the student's family income cannot exceed HUD's low-income limit for that family size. The Housing Agency must also be a member in good standing with the Housing Alliance of Valley Employees South Texas Region.

**Local Housing Agency's Certification must accompany the Scholarship Application.**

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|---|-------------------------------|
| <p><b>H.A.V.E. S.T.R. Scholarship<br/>Local Housing Agency's Certification</b></p>  |                               |
| <p>I hereby certify that _____ is a resident or participant in:<br/>(Applicant's Name)</p>  |                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>      |
| Public Housing  | Section 8 Program (check one) |
| <p>administered by this agency. The Housing Agency is also a member in good standing of the Housing Alliance of Valley Employees South Texas Region (H.A.V.E. S.T.R.)</p> |                               |
| <p>Name of Housing Agency: _____</p>  |                               |
| Signature of Executive Director   | Date                          |



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**SECTION I- APPLICANT'S PERSONAL INFORMATION:**

|                  |                        |                |
|------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Last Name        | First Name             | Middle Initial |
| Address          | City                   | Zip Code       |
| Telephone Number | Social Security Number | Date of Birth  |

**SECTION II- H.A.V.E. S.T.R. MEMBER:**

|   |
|---|
| Agency Name and City  |
| Agency Contact Name and Phone Number (for questions about this application) |

**SECTION III- ACADEMIC: (Applicant must be a Graduating High School Student):**

|                                     |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Name of School Currently Attending: |  |
| Anticipated Graduation Date:        |  |

**SECTION IV: POST SECONDARY SCHOOL/COLLEGE INFORMATION:**

|   |  |
|---|--|
| College/University/Vocation or Post-Secondary School you plan to attend |  |
| Anticipated College Major/Vocation:                                     |  |
| Length of Program:  |  |

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION V- OTHER INFORMATION:**

Honors Received (i.e. Academic, Sports, Community Service): \_\_\_\_\_

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Extracurricular Activities (i.e. Band, Clubs, Drill Team, Athletics): \_\_\_\_\_

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Employment (Full, Part-Time or Summer Jobs during High School; provide job title, length of employment, responsibilities and name and phone number of employer):

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List of Hobbies or Special Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SECTION VII- ESSAY QUESTIONS:**

All applicants must answer the following questions with 125 words or less (use additional paper).

1. What are your goals for the next four years?
2. Why are you applying for this scholarship?
3. Why are you pursuing college degree or vocational training program?
4. What achievements or events occurred in your life that has been especially significant?

*Applicant's Name:* \_\_\_\_\_

**Place an Original Wallet Sized Senior Photo Here (Optional):**

