

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NEW JERSEY

**JOHN J. AND HELEN M. DURANTE
AND FAMILY CHARITABLE TRUST SCHOLARSHIP 2025**

Builders Association of Northern New Jersey

Important: Please type or print legibly in black ink. Do not omit any information. Fill in **ALL** spaces. If any item is not applicable, indicate by N/A.

The John J. and Helen M. Durante and Family Charitable Trust Scholarship is awarded to an American-born graduating high school senior who is pursuing a career in the building industry. Building industry-related courses are any curriculum that prepares the student for a career in any facet of the building industry, including but not limited to, Drafting and Design, Construction Technology, Mechanical Contracting, Air Conditioning and Heating Technology, Real Estate and Marketing, Electrical Engineering, Architectural Design, Surveying, Civil or Industrial Engineering, Electronic Engineering Technology, Environmental Technology, Land Use Management, Construction Management, Planning, Landscape Architecture, Urban Design and Interior Design.

Criteria:

- Student must live in one of these seven counties: **Bergen, Passaic, Hudson, Sussex, Morris, Essex & Union**. Scholarship is awarded to a New Jersey graduating senior who is pursuing a career in the building industry.
- Student must be an American born U.S. citizen.
- Scholarship has two installments but is non-renewable.

The scholarship award of \$4,000 will be distributed as follows:

- Installment 1 for \$2,000 will be paid during the student's first year of study (fall semester).
- Installment 2 for \$2,000 will be distributed for credit to the student's account for his/her second year of study (sophomore year) following receipt of a letter of request indicating community service work and/or name and contact information of the employer, official transcript indicating major (building industry related), and proof of full-time enrollment as a student in good academic standing.

Important Note: To qualify for the second installment of the scholarship the student must have maintained a "C" (2.0) or better grade point average. In addition, the student must be involved in community service (minimum of 15-20 hours per year) or hold a job.

All awards will be mailed directly to the educational institution for credit to the student's account.

Please refer to the last page for the required attachments to the application.

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Note: Scholarship is contingent upon the availability of funds in any given year. *Scholarship aid from the Community Foundation of New Jersey is conditioned upon the school the student will attend agreeing that the aid should be applied to the student's unmet need or loans first. If, after all needs have been met, scholarship monies remain, it may be used to displace school-provided aid in the following progression: work-study, then grants.*

Only high school senior students need to apply. Application must be received no later than **April 1st.
For further information or questions, please contact Colleen Smith at csmith@cfnj.org or 973.267.5502.**

APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Check one: Mr. _____
 Ms. _____
First Middle Last

Permanent Address: _____
Street

City State Zip

Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Country of Birth: _____ Are you a legal resident of NJ: Yes ___ No ___

I am a: U.S. Citizen
 Permanent Resident Alien
 Non-Resident – type of visa _____

Gender: Female Male

Ethnicity: African American Hispanic/Latino
 Asian/Pacific Islander White (not of Hispanic origin)
 American Indian/Alaskan Native Other (specify) _____

FAMILY INFORMATION

Father/Guardian _____
 Address _____

Mother/Guardian _____
 Address _____

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| Father/Guardian's Occupation/Employer | |
| Father /Guardian's Annual Income | |
| Mother/Guardian's Occupation/Employer | |
| Mother/Guardian's Annual Income | |

All Dependents Living In Your Home *including yourself*

| Name/Relationship to Applicant | Age | School Attending/Cost |
|--------------------------------|------|-----------------------|
| | Self | |
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EDUCATION

(Only students who have already been accepted into an educational institution are eligible to apply. If you have not yet been accepted to a college, university, or other institution of higher learning, please do not apply at this time.)

Name of School You Will Attend: _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Intended Major(s): _____

Intended Minor(s): _____

ANTICIPATED EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES

Please fill in your anticipated expenses for the 2025-2026 academic year. This information can be found on your college or university website or through the financial aid office.

| | |
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| Tuition | \$ |
| Mandatory Fees | \$ |
| Room & Board (on-campus housing only) | \$ |
| Books | \$ |
| Supplies | \$ |
| Total Anticipated Educational Expenses | \$ |

ANTICIPATED STUDENT RESOURCES

Please list any scholarships or grants you have been awarded or are pending for 2025-2026 and the amount of each award. Please include Pell Grants or other federal aid, state aid, work-study, scholarships from your school, and other outside scholarships or awards.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|----|
| Parental Contribution to Education | Amount Per Year | \$ |
| Student Contribution to Education | Amount Per Year | \$ |

| Scholarships | Amount Per Year | Status (Pending or Awarded) |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| 1) | \$ | |
| 2) | \$ | |
| 3) | \$ | |
| 4) | \$ | |
| 5) | \$ | |
| 6) | \$ | |
| 7) | \$ | |
| Total Scholarships | \$ | |

| Grants | Amount Per Year | Status (Pending or Awarded) |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| 1) | \$ | |
| 2) | \$ | |
| 3) | \$ | |
| 4) | \$ | |
| 5) | \$ | |
| 6) | \$ | |
| 7) | \$ | |
| Total Grants | \$ | |

| Loans | Amount Per Year | Status (Pending or Awarded) |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| 1) | \$ | |
| 2) | \$ | |
| 3) | \$ | |
| 4) | \$ | |
| 5) | \$ | |
| 6) | \$ | |
| 7) | \$ | |
| Total Loans | \$ | |

Copies of all financial aid letters must be included with the application.

FINANCIAL STATUS

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|---------------|---|----|
| Family Assets | Total balance in cash, savings & checking | \$ |
| | Net worth (value minus debt) of investments, including real estate: | \$ |
| | Other Sources of Income (Specify) | |
| | Total Assets: | \$ |

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|----------------------------|----------------------|----|
| Family Gross Annual Income | Father: | \$ |
| | Mother: | \$ |
| | Student: | \$ |
| | Total Annual Income: | \$ |

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| Number of households supported by gross income: | |
| Number of dependents supported by gross income: | |
| Number of siblings attending college next year: | |

Please provide in *annual dollar amounts* estimated expenses:

| Family Expenses | Costs |
|--|-------|
| Mortgage or rent | \$ |
| Medical Expenses (not paid by insurer) | \$ |
| Childcare/Day Care | \$ |
| Other Expenses | \$ |
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| | |
| Total Family Expenses | |

Did you complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? If so, what is your Student Aid Index (SAI)? \$_____

(Optional) You may use the space below to explain any compelling circumstances or factors, which you feel warrant special attention to include unusual personal, family, or financial circumstances or challenges. _____

APPLICANT RESUME

AWARDS AND HONORS

In order of importance to you, list awards and honors you have received during the past four years and briefly explain their significance. **No attachments please.**

| Awards/Honors | Significance | Date Received |
|---------------|--------------|---------------|
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SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

In order of involvement/importance to you, please list the top five extra-curricular activities you have participated in during the past four years of high school, e.g., clubs, student government, national honor society, sports, music, drama, etc. **No attachments please.**

| Activity | Grade(s) and dates of participation | Honors and/or positions held – <u>Circle either elected (E) or appointed (A)</u> | Hours Per Month | Reference/Telephone |
|----------|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1) | | E/A | | |
| 2) | | E/A | | |
| 3) | | E/A | | |
| 4) | | E/A | | |
| 5) | | E/A | | |

COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT

In order of involvement/importance to you, please list the top five community or volunteer extra-curricular activities you have participated in during the past four years of high school, e.g., nonprofit organizations, scouts, 4-H, and religious activities. **No attachments please.**

| Activity | Grade(s) and/or dates of participation | Honors and/or positions held – <u>Circle either elected (E) or appointed (A)</u> | Hours Per Month | Reference/Telephone |
|----------|--|--|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1) | | E/A | | |
| 2) | | E/A | | |
| 3) | | E/A | | |
| 4) | | E/A | | |
| 5) | | E/A | | |

WORK EXPERIENCE

List your paid work experience during the past four years, beginning with your most recent position.

| Employer | Nature of Work | Dates | Hours Per Week | Reference/Telephone |
|----------|----------------|-------|----------------|---------------------|
| 1) | | | | |
| 2) | | | | |
| 3) | | | | |
| 4) | | | | |
| 5) | | | | |

ESSAY - REQUIRED

ATTACHMENT SHOULD BE TYPED OR PRINTED NEATLY IN INK. PLEASE INCLUDE STUDENT NAME.

IN NO MORE THAN TWO DOUBLE SPACED PAGES, looking forward please describe your personal aspirations and career goals. Describe within these pages the importance scholarship assistance would have in meeting these goals. What factors did you consider when selecting the college/university you will attend?

REQUIRED SIGNATURES

I declare that I have met the eligibility requirements for the scholarship program(s) indicated on the first page of this application form. I further declare that all statements made on this application form or in conjunction with this application form are my own and are accurate and true.

Student's Signature: _____ Date _____

If student is under 18 years of age:
 Parent's/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

Checklist: Please submit the following below in order with NO STAPLES:

- ___ Application
- ___ Essay
- ___ High school transcript (with raised seal) provided by your high school guidance counselor or other school official including the applicant's standardized test scores.
- ___ One (1) letter of recommendation that you believe will strengthen your application.
- ___ College acceptance and financial aid award letters. Documents must state the estimated cost per year of attending the institution and the details of the financial aid package offered by the institution.
- ___ FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR). You can print a copy of your SAR by visiting the FAFSA website at fafsa.ed.gov/logging into your account.

Deadline: All applications must be complete and postmarked no later than April 1st. Only complete applications (consisting of this application form and all the supplemental materials listed above) will be considered by the selection committee.

Mail this application and all required supplemental materials to:

**Community Foundation of New Jersey
 Colleen Smith - Scholarship Services
 Post Office Box 338
 Morristown, New Jersey 07963-0338**

For further information please contact: Scholarship Services at 973.267.5502 or via email at csmith@cfnj.org.