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NAHMA Educational Foundation Concludes Successful Year; Looks Forward to 2015

Alexandria, Va., Jan. 30, 2015 — The National Affordable Housing Management Association (NAHMA) Educational Foundation recently concluded its 2014 program year, during which it awarded a total of \$167,500 to worthy post-secondary school students who are residents of NAHMA and Affordable Housing Management Association (AHMA) member properties.

Through its first eight years, the NAHMA Educational Foundation's National Scholarship Program has awarded scholarships to more than 338 residents totaling \$519,000. In 2014, 67 worthy student residents received \$2,500 each. This is the largest number of scholarship recipients ever selected in a single year. The monetary total is also a single-year record for the foundation.

“The foundation wants to encourage management company personnel to alert residents of this wonderful opportunity to secure funding for the 2015-2016 school year. In the last two years, the foundation has awarded more than \$300,000 in scholarships. Our hope is that this year we receive applications and can make awards to residents from all AHMAs across the country,” Melissa Fish-Crane, NAHMA Educational Foundation chair, said.

In early February, the NAHMA Educational Foundation will make the 2015 scholarship application available to prospective applicants. Any resident in good standing at an AHMA affiliated apartment community that is a high school graduate and is enrolled at a community college, college/university or trade/technical school is eligible to apply. High school seniors are also eligible to apply. The application will be available at <http://www.nahma.org/about/educational-foundation/>. The application must be filled in online, and May 29 is the final deadline date for completed applications. Completed applications must include an application form, an essay, two references, a valid grade transcript and a Certification of Residency in Good Standing form. For more details on applying for a NAHMA Educational Foundation scholarship, contact Dr. Bruce W. Johnson, NAHMA scholarship program administrator, at bwjec@comcast.net or at 215-262-4230.

In addition, the NAHMA Educational Foundation also recently announced key fundraising events planned for 2015, including:

- Wednesday, June 24, 6-9 p.m., a premier fundraising event dinner at N9NE, which is located in the Palms Casino and Resort, in conjunction with the NAHMA and National Apartment Association collocated June meetings in Las Vegas. A separate ticket is required.

- Monday, Oct. 26, the Drug-Free Kids 2016 Poster Auction and Reception, in conjunction with NAHMA's October meeting.

Meanwhile, donations may be made to the foundation at any time, by visiting the [NAHMA Educational Foundation](#) Web page and clicking on the "Donate" button. Also posted on this Web page is a video describing the work of the foundation.

With the close of the program year, the NAHMA Educational Foundation would like to thank its major supporters in 2014:

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The foundation would also like to thank the Rocky AHMA, especially Kim O'Shea, Melanie Labonte and Debi Ross-Wessloh, for hosting the enormously successful June 2014 fundraiser in Denver, Colo.

For more details on the mission of the NAHMA Educational Foundation and opportunities to support its work, contact Brenda Moser at Brenda.moser@nahma.org.

The NAHMA Educational Foundation is organized and operated exclusively as a Section 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Founded in October 1994, the NAHMA Educational Foundation works to assist residents of federally subsidized housing as they strive to enhance their lives, job opportunities and children's futures. Its mission is also to enhance the livability and standing of communities managed by NAHMA member companies nationwide.

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