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## NAHMA Educational Foundation Thanks Its Supporters

*Alexandria, Va., Feb. 7, 2022* — The National Affordable Housing Management Association (NAHMA) [Educational Foundation](#) recently concluded its 2021 program year. The foundation awarded 87 scholarships worth a total of \$304,500 to student residents of federally subsidized affordable housing communities. Additionally, \$2,000 was donated to the Real Estate Management Department at Virginia Tech for scholarships for students pursuing their bachelor's degree in property management. Over the life of the program, 1,001 scholarships have been awarded worth a total of \$2,261,250.

The 2021 fundraising campaign culminated with the NAHMA Educational Foundation's annual fundraising gala. The gala was a virtual PiNAHMA Party on Nov. 4, 2021. The annual gala serves as the primary public fundraising event for the foundation, with proceeds going to the scholarship program. Thanks to donors, the 2021 event raised \$450,000.

"The NAHMA Educational Foundation Board of Directors appreciates the enormous generosity of our many donors. This generosity holds even more importance in recent years with the new challenges and uncertainties upon us all, through which we have continued to learn and understand more of the perseverance and strength of our scholars. The donor support allowed the foundation to make \$3,500 individual scholarship awards in 2021, a very impactful amount. Please encourage your residents to apply for a scholarship this year. We know there are more inspiring messages yet to be shared and amazing successes waiting to be celebrated!" NAHMA Educational Foundation chairperson, Dr. Alicia Stoermer Clark, said.

The 2022 [scholarship application](#) is currently available to prospective applicants. Any resident in good standing at an AHMA- or NAHMA-affiliated affordable housing community that is a high school senior, a high school equivalency diploma holder, or matriculated college student enrolled at an accredited community college, college, university, or trade/technical school is invited to apply for the scholarship program.

The application is available at <https://nahma.communityforce.com>. The application must be completed online by May 12, 10 p.m. Eastern. Completed applications must include an application form, one reference, an essay, a certification of residency in good standing form, and an official grade transcript showing grades through the fall 2021 semester. For more details on applying for a NAHMA Educational Foundation scholarship, contact Dr. Bruce W. Johnson, NAHMA scholarship program administrator, at [bjohnson@tmo.com](mailto:bjohnson@tmo.com) or 215-262-4230.

In addition, the NAHMA Educational Foundation has key fundraising events planned for 2022, including the premier benefit gala dinner in October at The Hay-Adams hotel held in conjunction with NAHMA's annual meeting in Washington, D.C. The event incorporates a live and silent auction consisting of the

Drug-Free Kids Calendar posters, trips, jewelry, and other items. A separate ticket from the NAHMA October meeting registration is required to attend the fundraiser.

Meanwhile, [donations](#) may be made to the foundation at any time by visiting the [NAHMA Educational Foundation](#) webpage and clicking on the blue “Donate” button. Also posted on the webpage are videos highlighting the work of the foundation.

With the close of the program year, the NAHMA Educational Foundation would like to thank its major supporters in 2021:

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The foundation would also like to thank the NAHMA Educational Foundation gala organizers, including Stefanie Lee, chair of the gala event Planning Committee, Amber Day, Karin McGrath Dunn, Carlita Mendez and Gemi Ozdemir, for a successful October 2021 virtual fundraiser.

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](mailto: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. For more information, visit [www.nahma.org/about/educational-foundation](http://www.nahma.org/about/educational-foundation).

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