



Don Martin Scholarship

Local Home Builder Don Martin knows that growing a business means growing relationships. Thanks to Don's strong belief that housing should be affordable for everyone, some 9,000 homes have been built through partnerships he's fostered across the United States over the past 40 years. But Don doesn't want to stop there. He wants to encourage others to share his vision and continue to expand home ownership opportunities - right here in New Mexico.

The Don Martin Scholarship was designed to help New Mexico students who have achieved a high school education pursue a career in the construction industry. A scholarship of up to \$1,250 will be awarded once a semester to those students who meet the application requirements. In addition to filling out an application, students must submit an essay outlining what inspires them to pursue a career in the building industry. **The deadline for Fall applications is June 16th.**

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Builders of the American Dream

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ABOUT DON MARTIN

Donald D. "Don" Martin is a second-generation home-builder who grew up in rural Kansas and flew jets and helicopters for the U.S. Marine Corps before beginning his career in the housing industry in the mid-1960's. During the next 30 years, he built more than 9,000 homes in Colorado, New Mexico, Texas, Virginia, Maryland and Arizona. Martin opened his own home building company in Albuquerque in the mid-1980's and built single-family homes and developed lots for other builders there and in Santa Fe. He Served as President of the Home Builders of Central New Mexico in 1979, and the National Association of Home Builders in 1998.

A longtime advocate of affordable housing, as NAHB president he worked with Fannie Mae to establish 40 locally based partnerships for affordable housing across the country. As a result of this effort, Fannie Mae has invested several billion dollars in the economy of New Mexico alone. Martin also led NAHB's effort to successfully increase FHA loan limits and expand homeownership opportunities, and he helped initiate studies at various universities — including Harvard's Joint Center for Housing Studies — to demonstrate the positive effects of homeownership on the community. Martin serves on Fannie Mae's Housing Impact Advisory Council and he is a trustee of the Home Builders Institute and a member of the National Housing Center Board of Governors. He has also actively promoted U.S. home building in international markets and chaired the Department of Commerce's U.S.-China Residential Building Council in 2000.

ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP

The Don Martin Scholarship was designed to provide monetary aid to students with a GED or equivalent, who are pursuing a career in the construction industry, at a trade school or college of their choice.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT

Scholarships are one-time per semester awards, at \$1250 (Fall 2008).

These awards are not based on financial need.

Recipients of awards are allowed to:

- Apply funds towards tuition (will be paid directly by HBA of CNM)
- Apply funds to Fees, Books and Supplies

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

To apply for the Don Martin Scholarship the student must:

- Be referred by a member of the HBA of CNM
- Plan on pursuing a career in the construction industry

SELECTION PROCESS

An impartial selection committee composed of construction related industry representatives selects the recipients. In evaluating the application, the committee will ensure applications first meet all of the eligibility requirements and then consider leadership activities, community activities and work activities. The required essays are an important part of the evidence to be considered and are necessary for consideration.

APPROVAL SUCCESS

On July 15th, the recipient will be notified if they have been awarded the scholarship. Arrangements will then be made with the school of choice to make payment for the student's tuition. If the recipient would like to reapply for the scholarship for another semester, they will have to repeat the application process. The recipient must provide a copy of their transcripts. Recipients who are awarded a scholarship must complete the entire semester barring illness or military service.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicant must have a High School Diploma or GED.
2. No GPA requirements.
3. Student is referred by an HBA of CNM member.
4. Student's career must be construction industry related.
5. Must submit a completed application.
6. Must have two letters of recommendation from either employers or counselors.
7. Student must write one essay (see application).
8. The HBA of CNM will pay school directly for tuition costs.
9. If there is extra money the student may use it for books/supplies only.
10. Scholarship is only offered for one semester of classes at \$1250.
11. If recipient would like to apply for this scholarship again they are allowed to, but they must go through the entire process again each time.
12. If recipient applies again, a copy of their transcripts will be required.
13. If recipient does not complete the entire semester, for anything other than illness or military service, they are unable to reapply.
14. Recipient must attend a school in the HBA of CNM Association boundaries.

*If student does not meet requirements they will not be considered for the scholarship.

A P P L I C A T I O N

Name: _____

Home mailing address: _____

E-Mail: _____

Home Phone: _____

High School from which graduated/ or received GED: _____

If currently employed, list employer and job description: _____

List all Community/City involvement: _____

List all School/Work Activities: _____

Name of member (member of Home Builders Association of Central New Mexico) referred
by & Relationship: _____

ESSAY

On a separate sheet of paper please provide a 200 – 250 word essay on the following topic:

What goals would you like to achieve by receiving this scholarship? What aspects of the Construction/Trade industry inspire you to pursue a career/ education in these fields? If you receive this scholarship what field would you like to pursue, and why?

REQUIRED FOR ALL SCHOLARSHIPS

I hereby certify that all information submitted on this application by the applicant is true and correct. I understand that all information is subject to verification and that false information will lead to disqualification.

Applicant Signature (Required): _____

Date: _____

Mail the application and all supporting materials to:

HBA of CNM Office
Don Martin Scholarship Committee
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Albuquerque, NM 87109