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CHA Scholarship Program

Fund your undergraduate education with our \$2,000 annual scholarship

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Program Overview

CHA encourages residents pursuing an undergraduate education to apply for the CHA Scholarship program. Awardees will receive \$2,000 which can be used for tuition, books, or supplies.

Please check back in January to access the application for the 2025-2026 school year. Applicants will be notified of award status by July.

Selection Criteria:

- Academic achievements and records
- Community involvement
- Essay

Eligibility for the Program

- Be a high school senior or be a college undergraduate as a freshman, sophomore, junior or senior
- Be pursuing your undergraduate degree such as a Certificate, Associates or Bachelors. Advanced degree studies such as Masters or Doctorate are not eligible.
- Plan to attend a two-year or four-year college/university in the United States
- Be a current CHA resident and listed on a lease.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale to apply; a minimum GPA of 2.5 is recommended

For residents interested in attending City Colleges of Chicago, visit our [PiE program](#) to learn how you can receive free tuition at all CCC campuses.

Applying for the CHA Scholarship

1. Visit the Application to Check Your Eligibility

- Create a user ID and password.
- Complete the eligibility form to verify your eligibility for the scholarship.

[Application portal](#)

2. Begin Application

Application sections may include:

- Academic Scores and Information
- Clubs & Extracurricular Activities
- Honors & Awards
- Community Service & Volunteer Activities
- Work Experience
- Short Essay Prompts

3. Collect and Submit Your Documentation

For the scholarship, you will need to upload the following documents:

- ACT/SAT Test Scores: Optional.
- 2024-25 FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR): Optional.
- High School Transcript: Incoming College Freshmen only.
- College/University Transcript: Incoming College Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors.

Scholarship Workshops

CHA hosts scholarship workshops to help students complete applications. Check back in Spring for more details.

Similar programs you may be eligible for

CITY COLLEGES[®] OF CHICAGO

Partners in Education

CHA residents can earn a certificate or a degree from City Colleges of Chicago for free or low cost. This is possible through a partnership with CCC called Partners in Education (PiE).



Youth Summer Jobs

CHA's Summer Youth Employment Program gives young people a chance to work and earn money for six to eight weeks. It usually starts in June and goes until early August.