



Connecticut Chapter of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials  
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## **2023 CONN NAHRO JOHN J. KELLY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP For Graduating High School Seniors**

CONN NAHRO invites graduating high school seniors in Connecticut to apply for one of the available **\$3,500 John J. Kelly Memorial Scholarships** for students continuing their education. Annually, three or more scholarships are awarded to students who live in CONN NAHRO member housing authority communities or Section 8 housing who may not be able to take advantage of higher education opportunities due in part to their economic circumstances.

The application process is administered by the CONN NAHRO Scholarship Committee. Recipients are recognized at the Scholarship Luncheon during the CONN NAHRO Annual Convention in August.

### **Eligibility**

- 1) Individuals who have been accepted into a two-year or four-year institution of higher learning working toward an Associate's or Bachelor's degree or a full time Vocational/Certificate program beginning with the Fall term in 2023; and,
- 2) Who reside in, or are assisted with their housing by, a CONN NAHRO member housing authority or agency; and,
- 3) Are residents in good standing.

### **Criteria**

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- 1) Candidates must be eligible for high school graduation in June 2023 or have already earned their high school diploma or GED in the 2022-2023 academic year.
- 2) Candidates must attain a grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale during their four-year high school attendance or, under certain circumstances, a 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale during their senior year.

### **Application**

The Scholarship application must be complete and include the following items to be considered:

- 1) Completed John J. Kelly Memorial Scholarship Application Form
- 2) A written recommendation from the Executive Director/CEO or Designee from the applicant's CONN NAHRO member housing authority or community (must be a signed original document or electronic signature).
- 3) The applicant's High School transcript, including SAT or ACT scores if applicable.
- 4) Three (3) additional written letters of recommendation (must be a signed original document or electronic signature).
- 5) A 250 – 500 word essay on the subject: ***How will this scholarship affect me moving forward in life?***
- 6) A list of the applicant's accomplishments, including awards, honors, sports, community service, extracurricular activities, employment, etc.
- 7) A copy of the acceptance letters received from the institutions to which the applicant was accepted.

- 8) Proof of Financial Aid and any other sources of financial assistance to be received by the applicant (*must be received by June 23, 2023*).

**Selection Criteria**

The selection criteria is based on a point system for each of the following elements:

- 30 points      Need
- 25 points      High school grades, class rank, and/or SAT/ACT scores
- 20 points      Essay content
- 20 points      Work experience, extracurricular activities, and community service.
- 5 points        3.0 Grade point average or higher
- 5 points        Not previously awarded a CONN NAHRO scholarship

**Funding**

Scholarship awards will be funded by September 1, 2023. CONN NAHRO reserves the right to revoke the scholarship and require repayment of the scholarship if the recipient does not attend the identified educational institution in the Fall of 2023.

**Deadline to Apply**

Applications must be completed and received by the CONN NAHRO Scholarship Chair no later than **5:00 p.m. (EDT) on Friday, June 23, 2023**. Your Housing Authority Executive Director/CEO will submit the completed application on your behalf.

**Submit Application to:**

CONN NAHRO 2023 John J. Kelly Memorial Scholarship  
Attn: Michelle Molina  
J. D’Amelia & Associates, LLC  
37 Brookside Road  
Waterbury CT 06708  
mmolina@jdamelia.com  
Fax: (203) 757-1467

**Administrative Considerations:**

The housing authority/agency Executive Director/CEO, or their Designee, is responsible for verifying all application requirements are included in the candidate’s submission. The housing authority or agency is responsible for submitting the application, not the candidate.

**Confidentiality**

CONN NAHRO will maintain strict confidentiality of the information provided by the applicant and will only use this information in the selection process to determine scholarship award recipients. A form to authorize use of the recipient’s name and photographic images is included in the application material.



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## 2023 CONN NAHRO JOHN J. KELLY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Graduating High School Seniors Application

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

**Name**

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**Address**

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**City, State Zip**

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**Telephone (home and cell)**

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**Email**

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**Housing Authority/Agency**

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**Housing Program Community**

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**High School Name and  
 Graduation Date**

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**Colleges/Institutions to which  
 you have been accepted**

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**College/Institution you plan to  
 attend**

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**Activities, Achievements,  
 Honors**

On a separate page, please list your accomplishments including any awards, honors, sports, community service, extracurricular activities, employment, etc. and include with application

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### HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

1) Number of persons in household	
2) Number of persons in household (except head of household and spouse) who are full-time college students	
3) Gross income of head of household and spouse (all sources including employment wages, unemployment benefits, interest, dividends, Social Security, Supplemental Security Income, pensions, welfare benefits, earned income tax credit, additional child tax credit, child support, alimony, etc.	\$

4) Gross income of applicant (all sources as in #3 above)	\$
5) Total anticipated cost for school year beginning September 2023	\$
6) Have you applied for financial aid?	Yes                      No
7) Amount of scholarships applicant to receive	\$
8) Amount of loans applicant to receive	\$
9) Amount of other assistance to be received	\$

**APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

Please include all the following:

- 1) Completed Application
- 2) Executive Director/CEO written recommendation
- 3) Transcript of High School grades
- 4) SAT or ACT scores if applicable
- 5) Three (3) letters of recommendation
- 6) Essay on: *How will this scholarship affect me moving forward in life?*
- 7) List of accomplishments, awards, honors, etc.
- 8) Copy of college/institution acceptance letters
- 9) Verification of financial aid (*no later than June 23, 2023*)
- 10) Signed photographic images authorization form

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

I understand that CONN NAHRO can revoke the scholarship if it is revealed that false information was provided in this application and its attachments.

**SIGNATURES**

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Applicant

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Date

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Housing Authority or Agency Executive Director/CEO

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

**SUBMISSION**

Return your completed application and required materials to your Housing Authority or Agency Executive Director/CEO for submission to CONN NAHRO. All applications must be received in full by **5:00 p.m. (EDT) on June 23, 2023**, to be considered for the scholarship.

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### **AUTHORIZATION TO USE PHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGES AND PERSONAL INFORMATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, authorize the use of photographic images of me and information I provide in this application, such as name and school, in both print and electronic formats by representatives of CONN NAHRO. No personal contact or financial information will be shared. This authorization applies to, yet is not limited to, use in marketing materials, on the website and social media, and news releases related to the awarding of this scholarship.

#### **CANDIDATE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**If under the age of 18, a parent or guardian must sign on behalf of the candidate.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Relationship to Candidate

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