2015 Apartment and Office Building Association of Metropolitan Washington

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

For Prince George’s County High School Graduates | A two-year scholarship worth $6,000
APPLICATION DEADLINE: JUNE 12, 2015

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Sponsored by the Apartment and Office Building Association of Metropolitan Washington (AOBA), the Scholarship Program offers graduates of Prince George’s County high schools paid tuition to Prince George’s Community College, a two-year scholarship worth $6,000.

AOBA Scholars participate in a successful academic and career preparation program with special emphasis on leadership and community service. They also have an opportunity to interact with professionals in the apartment and office building industry as well as college staff through summer internships, leadership seminars, mentoring programs, and academic and career counseling.

Successful graduates will then have an opportunity to apply for a scholarship, provided by Southern Management Corporation, to attend The American University.

2015 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- US citizen or permanent resident
- Resident of Prince George’s County
- Current graduate or have graduated within the last three years from a Prince George’s County high school
- Accepted for admission to Prince George’s Community College and completed the college’s placement test and application by the deadline
- Evidence of readiness to start college credit courses (i.e. successful completion of developmental coursework if necessary)
- A minimum 2.5 cumulative high school/college grade point average; students are required to submit a copy of their high school and/or college transcripts
- Household income of no more than $70,000 per year as evidenced by the previous year’s tax return (to document financial need)
- Three letters of recommendation: two letters from high school/college faculty or staff and one letter from a recognized community organization

2014/2015 AOBA Scholarship Recipients: (Left to right) Deshana Edwards, Jerran Crichton, Asongalem Forchaleke, Divine Ambe, Martin Arendell, Armelle Njinguet, and Cameron Taylor
WHERE ARE PAST AOBA SCHOLARS NOW?

The AOBA Scholarship has provided financial, mentoring, and internship support to 130 Prince George’s County students since its inception in 1996. The scholarship’s contributions have extended beyond the academic success of these students at Prince George’s Community College to their success as graduate students, parents, employees, entrepreneurs, and active community members. Some of their successes are highlighted as follows:

- 99% of AOBA Scholars have successfully completed two years of study at Prince George’s Community College
- Prestigious scholarships have been awarded to AOBA Scholars to further their education
- AOBA Scholars have transferred to the following colleges/universities:
  - The American University
  - Bowie State University
  - Virginia Commonwealth University
  - Frostburg State University
  - Howard University
  - Johns Hopkins University
  - Morgan State University
  - Ohio State University
  - Salisbury University
  - Towson University
  - University of Maryland at Baltimore County
  - University of Maryland, College Park
  - University of Maryland Eastern Shore
  - University of Maryland University College
- AOBA Scholars have pursued graduate and professional programs in higher education, counseling, medicine, German, social work, and psychology at the following colleges/universities:
  - Bowie State University
  - University of the Virgin Islands
  - University of Maryland at Baltimore
  - University of Maryland, College Park
  - University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- Many Scholars are currently employed by AOBA sponsoring companies such as Edgewood Management Corporation, Kay Apartment Communities, Southern Management Corporation, and William C. Smith + Co.
APPLICATION

Complete all three sections of this application.

1. Personal Information

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I am a U.S. citizen or permanent resident: [ ] Yes     [ ] No

2. Essay

In 300 words or more, explain clearly and concisely why you deserve an AOBA Scholarship. Discuss your career goals and how the scholarship can help you achieve them. Also, please address one of the following three topics:

(a) Your community and volunteer activities
(b) What leadership means to you
(c) Tell about a leader you admire and explain why.

3. Supporting Information

In addition to completing this application, please submit the following:

(1) Transcript of grades for high school/college
(2) Last year’s tax return
(3) Proof of permanent residence status
(4) Three letters of recommendation:
   (a) Two letters from high school/college staff
   (b) One letter from a recognized community organization

I certify that the information provided in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge and understand that I may be disqualified from a scholarship award if any information is found to be false.

Student signature       Date

Nondiscriminatory policy: Prince George’s Community College makes scholarship awards without regard to sex, race, age, color, religion or disability.

Please submit your application by June 12, 2015 to:

Crystal Smith
Prince George’s Community College
Marlboro Hall 2102
301 Largo Road
Largo, Maryland 20774-2199

The Apartment and Office Building Association of Metropolitan Washington (AOBA) is a trade organization with members in Maryland, Washington and Virginia. The AOBA Scholarship Program is one of many community-oriented projects sponsored by AOBA. Visit the AOBA website at www.aoba-metro.org.

For more information please call the Financial Aid Office at Prince George’s Community College at (301)322-0180.