



Roby House Alumni Foundation Scholar Awards

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD DESCRIPTIONS

Roby House Alumni Foundation (RHAF) College Bound Award carries with it a gift of (up to \$2,000) and is awarded to a **high school senior** who has shown exceptional and steadfast determination to achieve. The recipient demonstrates successes through perseverance toward personal objectives, in spite of obstacles that might have impeded his progress.

RHAF Excellence Award is an annual award for **high school Scholars in grades 9-12** who demonstrate leadership within the Madison A Better Chance Roby House. RHAF Award winners have set a positive example for their fellow housemates, not only as vocal house leader, but also through their positive actions when leading by example. RHAF award winners must be nominated for this award by a Madison ABC Resident Staff member. The RHAF Award Committee will work with Madison A Better Chance Staff annually, in partnership, to select recipients. Each award winner receives a gift of (up to \$1000).

Alumni Achievement Award is awarded to a **Madison A Better Chance alumnus currently attending a four year college or university**. The award recipient must demonstrate academic excellence, demonstrated academic distinction and has shown evidence of contributions to his school and/or home community. This award carries with it a gift of (up to \$1000).

Rising Star Award is an annual award for **high school scholars in grades 9-11** who demonstrate academic excellence as well as leadership within the Daniel Hand High School community. Each award winner receives a gift of (up to \$350).

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT THE AWARD APPLICATION IS:
May 15th**

Please email all required material to apps@robymouse.org, as one PDF, by deadline above.



Roby House Alumni Foundation Awards Application

Personal Information (Please type or print *neatly*)

<u>High School Applicants</u>		
I am applying for awards as a: <input type="checkbox"/> 9 th Grader <input type="checkbox"/> 10 th Grader <input type="checkbox"/> 11 th Grader <input type="checkbox"/> 12 th Grader*		
*(HS Seniors Only) What college do you plan to attend? _____		
Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial
Home Address		Apartment Number
City:	State:	Zip Code:
E-mail Address:		
Phone Number:		

<u>College Applicants</u>		
Name of College: _____ Majors/Minors: _____		
I am applying for awards as a: <input type="checkbox"/> Freshman <input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Senior		
What year did you graduate from DHHS? _____		
Anticipated Year of College Graduation? _____		
Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial
Home Address		Apartment Number
City:	State:	Zip Code:
E-mail Address:		
Phone Number:		



Roby House Alumni Foundation Photo Release and Consent Form

I hereby grant the Roby House Alumni Foundation permission to use my likeness in a photograph, video, or other digital media (“photo”) in any and all of its publications, including web-based publications, without payment or other consideration.

I understand and agree that all photos will become the property of the Roby House Alumni Foundation and will not be returned.

I hereby irrevocably authorize the Roby House Alumni Foundation to edit, alter, copy, exhibit, publish, or distribute these photos for any lawful purpose. In addition, I waive any right to inspect or approve the finished product wherein my likeness appears. Additionally, I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of the photo.

I hereby hold harmless, release, and forever discharge the Roby House Alumni Foundation from all claims, demands, and causes of action which I, my heirs, representatives, executors, administrators, or any other persons acting on my behalf or on behalf of my estate have or may have by reason of this authorization.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE PHOTO RELEASE. I AFFIRM THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE, OR, IF I AM UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, I HAVE OBTAINED THE REQUIRED CONSENT OF MY PARENTS/GUARDIANS AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURES BELOW. I ACCEPT:

Name: _____

Signature: _____ | Date: __ / __ / ____

If under 18, custodial parent/guardian(s) must sign below:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ | Date: __ / __ / ____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ | Date: __ / __ / ____



Letter(s) of Recommendation

The Roby House Alumni Foundation requires that potential award recipients submit at least one letter of recommendation. The award Recommendation Form (next page) must accompany recommendations. Your recommendation letter(s) and Award Recommendation form(s) should be emailed to apps@robyhouse.org by the recommender. Recommendation letters submitted by applicants will not be considered. The applicant's full name must be included in the subject line of each email sent. Recommenders cannot be family members of the applicant.

Please list the individual(s) who will submit a letter(s) of recommendation on your behalf.

Recommender Name	Title/ Relationship to Applicant	Organization/ School	Email Address



Recommendation Form

To the Applicant: Please complete the top portion of this form and forward it to the individual writing the recommendation. The recommendation should be typed on letterhead stationery and returned with this form.

By signing below, I hereby waive my right to examine the contents of this recommendation letter. I understand that by waiving my right I do so under the condition that the reference is used solely for the purpose for which it is intended.

Applicant Name (type or print) _____

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

To the Recommender:

This individual is applying for an annual award from the Roby House Alumni Foundation and your comments are important in the selection process. In your letter, please indicate how long and in what capacity you have known the applicant; be as specific as possible about the applicant's academic performance, leadership potential, and outstanding qualities. Keep in mind that the applicant cannot be considered for an award until your recommendation is on file. Please use official stationery (if possible) and return the recommendation letter along with this form to apps@robbyhouse.org by **May 15th**. The applicant's full name should be included in the subject line of your email. Recommendation letters that come from the applicant directly will not be considered.

Last Name:	First Name:
Institution/Organization:	Title:
Telephone:	Email Address:
Signature:	



Additional Requirements

1. **School Transcript** - Applicants, you must provide a copy of your most recent school transcript(s).
2. **Bio** - Applicants, you must provide a bio of 150 words or less describing who you are and your accomplishments. Please note that the bio should be written in the third person.
3. **Photo** - Please submit an electronic photo of yourself. You may use a school photo or take a new picture with a digital camera or smart phone. The photo you upload must be easily recognizable as you. Inappropriate photos may impact your application status.
4. **Short Answer and Essay Prompts** - Applicants must complete two(2) of the short answers and one(1) of the essay prompts below:

Short Answer - (select two) - Each response should be **150 words or less** and typed.

1. What is your greatest strength and how have you leveraged this strength in your school and/or work career in the past?
2. What are your goals for the next five years? Ten years?
3. How has the Madison A Better Chance program shaped you into the person you are and how is it helping you achieve your life goals?
4. You are given \$10,000 to improve your home community, how will you spend this money?

Essays - (select one) - Your essay response should be **300-500 words** and typed.

1. Tell us about a difficult or significant experience you have had and the impact it had on you. Write an essay that includes how you got through the experience and what you learned about yourself in the process.
2. Tell us about a person you admire and why?
3. Identify a social issue that is important to you. Explain its importance and offer solutions.



Award Application Checklist

Remember: In order for your application to be considered, all required documents must be received.

Email the following items, together, to apps@robbyhouse.org

- Application (5 pages) - All items on this award application form are filled out completely and accurately
 - Personal Info Page
 - Photo Release and Consent Form
 - Academic Info Page
 - Extracurricular, Community Service, and Work/Internship Page
 - List of Recommenders Page
- Most current official or unofficial transcript
- Applicant's Bio
- Applicant's Photo
- Applicant Essay Responses
 - 2 short essay responses
 - 1 Essay response

The items below must be emailed to the Awards Committee by the recommender directly

- Recommendation letter/Recommendation Form -Each recommender must submit the Recommendation Form along with your recommendation letter.

Applicant: Please get a confirmation that your recommender has received your recommendation request and make sure they submit it by the application deadline. **A missing recommendation letter will negatively impact your application status.**

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