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La Casa Student Housing Scholarship

You may be surprised to find that this scholarship is designed to help Illinois students pay to live at La Casa Student Housing. By supporting you in your desire to live in student housing we aim to support your efforts to complete your first bachelor level degree.

Funds are limited. All recipients of La Casa Student Housing Scholarship (AY 2015-2016) are required to sign a *La Casa Living-Learning Agreement* and to complete 20 hours of volunteer service per academic term or 40 hours over the course of the academic year.

Answers to
Your
Questions

Eligibility

La Casa Student Housing scholarships are possible through the generous sponsorship of individuals who want to support your efforts to complete your first bachelor level degree. Funds are limited.

To be eligible for a La Casa Student Housing Scholarship, a student must:

- meet all eligibility criteria to live at La Casa Student Housing;
- have graduated from an *Illinois high school* within the last 6 years;
- be an *Illinois resident* (if the student is considered a "dependent" for the college's financial aid process, the parent whose information is used must be an Illinois resident);
- be *enrolled full-time* each term at a degree granting college or university in Illinois that is *accredited* by the Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (students attending proprietary institutions, as categorized by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, are ineligible to receive La Casa scholarship funds);
- demonstrate *financial need*;
- maintain *satisfactory academic progress* as determined by the college;
- complete 20 hours of volunteer service per academic term; or 40 hours of volunteer service over the course of the academic year; and
- submit an official college transcript at the beginning of each term.

Award Amount

La Casa Student Housing Scholarship awards can be applied only toward monthly payment of rent at La Casa Student Housing. All scholarship awards will be paid directly to the student's rent account, which is managed by the Office of Property Management at The Resurrection Project.

Currently, four scholarship award levels exist and are subject to annual funding. Annual award amounts are determined by an analysis of a family's financial circumstances, household size, and other information provided by each student applicant. A student does not fulfill the full-length of the agreed upon leasing period, fails to submit an official college transcript at the beginning of each term, or fails to complete 20 hours of volunteer service per academic term forfeits any balance on the *La Casa Student Housing Scholarship*.

Range of annual award amounts for eligible students during the 2015-2016 academic year:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Scholarship Award (Annual Amount)	\$450	\$1,350	\$2,250	\$2,880
Monthly Rent (after scholarship award)	\$645	\$545	\$445	\$375

NOTE: Scholarship levels and number of awards are subject to availability of funds.

When and How Scholarship Winners Are Announced

Eligibility and announcement of a scholarship award amount (if any), is determined at the time that a complete La Casa Student Housing Application with all required signatures and supporting documentation is processed by La Casa staff. Only if a student is eligible will a *La Casa Student Housing Scholarship* amount appear on the La Casa invitation to sign a housing contract.

How to Apply

To apply for a housing scholarship, students must complete a *La Casa Student Housing Application* and submit it with all required signatures and supporting documents:

- Submit a complete [La Casa Student Housing Application](#).
- Submit *proof of income*. Students that earn income must attach copies of tax forms or proof of income for the most recent 3 months. In the case of students who are under the age of 18 or are considered "dependent" for college financial aid purposes, attach *2014 tax forms* for parent(s) or legal guardian(s).
- Submit a copy of the *financial aid award letter from the college that you plan to attend*. A student that wishes to be considered for a *La Casa Student Housing Scholarship* and/or plans to use financial aid programs to pay for La Casa Student Housing must attach a copy of the college financial aid award letter for the 2015-2016 academic year.
- Submit an *official transcript* to demonstrate satisfactory academic progress and college enrollment. As proof, college students must submit an official college transcript; graduating high school seniors must submit a letter of college admission and an official high school transcript.

How Funds Are Disbursed

La Casa Student Housing Scholarship funds are awarded on the basis of a student's demonstrated financial need. Scholarship funds are credited to a student's rental account in equal monthly installments over the course of a nine- or twelve-month housing contract. Please note that if a student does not fulfill the full-length of the agreed upon leasing period, fails to submit an official college transcript at the beginning of each term, or fails to complete 20 hours of volunteer service per academic term, any remaining balance on the *La Casa Student Housing Scholarship* award is forfeited.

More Information

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