

Amerind Region II/GLIHA Scholarship Guidelines

1. In order to further the improvement of the life of its members and that of its member tenants and employees, Great Lakes Indian Housing Association/Amerind Region II [Hereinafter GLIHA] hereby forms a committee to administer a program of scholarships for the education of tenants and residents, their children or children of the employees of member TDHE's and set policies and procedures for the awarding of scholarships as funded by AMERIND and/ or GLIHA itself or donations; and
2. GLIHA therefore sets up the GLIHA scholarship committee to be composed of three persons appointed by the chairman of the association from people who are employees, agents or officials of member TDHE's in good standing with AMERIND;
3. Members of the committee shall be selected for two year terms.
4. Upon a vacancy of a committee position, the replacement shall be appointed by the chairman before the next GLIHA duly constituted meeting; and
5. In the absence of sufficient members of the committee and action must be taken prior to the next GLIHA meeting, the GLIHA chairman may act as a member of the scholarship committee until a person is duly appointed to the committee;
6. Each of the selected members of the GLIHA scholarship committee should be drawn from different TDHE's preferable one from each state within its area of Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Indiana or Iowa in order to balance the geographical diversity of its member TDHE's; and
7. Should the President of GLIHA be from the same state as existing members of the committee, the Vice President or other existing GLIHA officer may serve in their place in order to achieve geographic balance and parity of the membership;
8. The GLIHA scholarship committee may determine to divide the number of scholarships into an equal number of scholarships depending on the number of applicants or may grant the total amount available from AMERIND or scholarship fund to one applicant, but no scholarship shall be awarded in an amount less than \$750;
9. The function of the GLIHA scholarship committee shall be
 - a. to determine the number of scholarships;
 - b. to determine when the scholarships will be awarded; given that applicants could apply to either the fall, summer or spring semesters;
 - c. to set the minimum eligible GPA of applicants at no less than 2.5 GPA based on a 4.0 grading scale;
 - d. to determine when the scholarships will be awarded; given that applicants could apply to either the fall, summer or spring semesters;
 - e. to determine other eligibility criteria such as likelihood of future academic success, financial need, ACT or SAT scores, or social or cultural contributions to their member community or Tribe.

10. Applicants shall be required to fill out a standard application giving their name, address, institution they intend to attend, the Tribe to which they claim membership or affiliation and any other information or data the GLIHA scholarship committee deems relevant; including but not limited to a one to three page essay on a relevant topic;
11. Applicants must be a member of a federally recognized Tribe, be eligible for membership in a federally recognized Tribe or be the descendant of a member of a federally recognized Tribe or be a legal dependent of member of a federally recognized Tribe; and be a resident of the GLIHA region at the time of application.
12. Applicants must be a High School graduate, HSED or GED holder from a accredited and reputable academic institution at the time of the scholarship is to be disbursed, though not necessarily when they apply
13. It is expected that applicants may still be in attendance in High School or other academic institution at the time of application;
14. Applicants must be accepted for attendance to an accredited post-secondary institution which may be a 2 year or 4 year institution or institution including vocational of sufficient standing that the GLIHA scholarship committee determines the applicant will benefit substantially from the award of a scholarship to said institution to advance their academic or vocational career. Institutions offering an Associate, Bachelor's or other academic degree which are accredited shall be presumptively determined to be acceptable institutions to which applicants may be awarded scholarships.
15. Applicants may only be awarded one scholarship given the large geographic area of eligibility and number of low income applicants who are eligible to apply within the GLIHA region.
16. Applicants must list the name and location of the institution they intend to attend in their application.
17. Applicants must list the High School they attended or are attending and the anticipated date of graduation or the date the GED was granted or will be granted and list the name and location of the institution granting the GED or HSED.
18. If Applicants are already in attendance at a post-secondary institution the number of credit hours they have earned or expect to earn at the conclusion of the quarter or semester they are currently attending.
19. Applicants shall, if possible, list the cost of attendance in terms of tuition, fees, books room and board.
20. The Applicant should explain in sufficient detail for the GLIHA scholarship committee to understand any special needs that the applicant might face in pursuing their chosen course of study.
21. The GLIHA scholarship committee shall determine the awardees of the GLIHA scholarship after review of all the applicants at least annually and communicate the successful applicant's name, amount of scholarship and institution the applicant intends to attend to both AMERIND, the GLIHA member TDHE's as well as the applicant.

22. The GLIHA scholarship committee shall communicate the date all applications are due and to where applicants should submit their applications either by mail, delivery service or electronically via email.
23. Whenever possible the GLIHA scholarship committee shall widely publicize the availability of the its scholarship opportunity to the eligible applicant pool by every means possible including through AMERIND, member TDHE's newsletters, tenant lists, affiliated websites, Facebook, MySpace, Twitter, and through cooperative agencies such as ONAP, Tribes and newspapers, etc.
24. The GLIHA scholarship committee may meet in person or via teleconference upon at least one days' notice to the members.
25. Applicants shall agree to the use of their picture or image for publicity purposes if they are awarded a GLIHA AMERIND scholarship.