



The Connell F. Smith
Homer Brown
Scholarship

The Connell F. Smith-Homer Brown Scholarship Award is presented to college students whose parents, grandparents, spouse, or who themselves are members in good standing with Laborers' Local 773.

Applicants must be enrolled as a full-time student for both FALL&SPRING semesters at an accredited University, College or Vocational School and must maintain at least a 2.6 cumulative GPA during the entire previous year to be considered for the award.

Applicants must have all forms, documents, and essay postmarked no later than March 31st, 2021 in order to be considered for the award. All documentation must be complete and comprehensive. Partial or incomplete applications will be omitted. **Applications will not be accepted after the March 31st, 2021 deadline.**

Mailing address:

Laborers' Local 773
Attn: Connell F. Smith-Homer Brown Scholarship Committee
5102 Ed Smith Way
Marion, Illinois 62959

Applications and essays will be reviewed by the committee beginning April 1st, 2021. Recipients of the award will be notified by email before April 30th. Eligibility will be conditional upon the submission of Fall-2021 class schedule which must be received before July 31st, 2021.

Applicants must reapply each year and supply all documentation in order to become eligible or maintain eligibility. Year to year eligibility is contingent upon meeting all requirements based on the FALL-SPRING enrollment, application, cumulative GPA, essay and most recent transcripts. Recipients who qualified can receive the award for up to 4 years (consecutive or non-consecutive).

Recipients must contribute at least one day of volunteer work for Laborers' Local 773 during each qualifying year, beginning in April 2021. This volunteer day must be completed before March 2022 in order to reapply. Any applicant who does not participate in a Union approved volunteer day will be omitted from eligibility. ***First time applicants will complete a volunteer day during year one of the award and continue to contribute each year of eligibility.*

Award Recipients must be in attendance at the July 15th Union Meeting/ Award Ceremony to receive their certificate of award. (Location of the Ceremony TBD)

CHECK LIST-ALL documents must be submitted in whole and applications must be complete in order to be considered for the award.

- The application must be completed in full including phone number-email and SS#-incomplete applications will be omitted
- High School or College Transcripts from the previous scholastic year.
- Proof of admission from accredited college *acceptance letter first year and/or class schedule thereafter.*
- Full Time Student/Class schedule *to be submitted before July 31st.*

- Completed Essay. Essay must be complete with 12pt font or less, 2 pages, single spaced, min. 800 word count. Essays that do not meet the requirements will be omitted from eligibility.

CONNELL F. SMITH-HOMER BROWN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICATION

All information on this application is required and must be completed in its entirety to be considered eligible

Have you been a CFS-HB Scholarship recipient in the past? Y/N _____

If yes, what year(s) did you receive the scholarship award?

Date of birth: _____/_____/____yr

*SSN _____ - _____ - _____
Must complete 9 digits

Phone: _____

Current address:

City: _____

State: _____

Zip code: _____

Email: _____

Are you a registered voter: Y/N _____

Last High School Attended:

(You will be asked to provide the date/time/location of your High School Scholarship Awards Ceremony for 2020 Graduates)

If you will be a High School Graduate in Spring 2021- name of Guidance Counselor and email address:

Date of Graduation: _____

Class Rank _____

ACT Score _____ SAT Score _____

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Name of College or University you plan to attend:

Address & location of admissions & payment: _____

City: _____

State & Zip _____

Year you will be attending: FRS(1) SOPH(2) JR(3) SR(4) other _____

Area of Study: _____

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

List all school and community activities, awards, honors, special recognition: *(can be included as attachments)*

*Union Volunteer Day(s) if reapplying:

Applicants must have proof and/or letter from non-profit organizer

LABORERS' LOCAL 773 MEMBER INFORMATION

Name of member whom you are related:

Relationship

Place of Employment:

ESSAY QUESTION

**Essay must be complete with 12pt font or less, two FULL pages, single spaced. Min of 800 word count.
Essays that do not meet the requirements will be omitted from eligibility. See page 3*

***I authorize the verification of the information provided on this form to
Laborers' Local 773 for my current High School, College and/or University**

*Signature of applicant:

Date:

*Signature of #773 member:

Date:

Essay Question

**ESSAY MUST MEET STANDARD GUIDELINES*

In the 2020 US Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics yearly report, it states that union members had medium weekly earnings of \$1,144, while those that were not union members earned an average of \$958 per week. That is a \$186 a week difference and an annual difference of \$9,672.

Essay Question: What are some of the reasons that union members earn more than non-union workers?

Also, which workers, union members or non-union workers have better benefits? IE: health care, retirement benefits, paid time off, etc.