



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 30th, 2020 in order to be considered for the award. All documentation must be complete and comprehensive. Partial/incomplete applications will be omitted. Applications will not be accepted after the March 30th, 2020 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 March 31st. Recipients of the award will be notified by mail and/or email before April 30th. Eligibility will be conditional upon the submission of Fall-2020 class schedule which must be received before July 31st, 2020.

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 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 2020. This volunteer day must be completed before March 2021 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 12th 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.

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. 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 2020- 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:

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:

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.

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*

When it comes to defined retirement plans, there are two major forms that have dominated the employee benefit landscape. Those two types of benefits are the defined contribution and the defined benefit.

Today many American workers only have a defined contribution retirement plan in which the employer, employee or both make contributions on a regular basis. Individual accounts are set up for participants and benefits are based on the amounts credited to these accounts plus any investment earnings on the money in the account. Whereas many workers especially workers that are members of a Union participate in a defined benefit pension plan in which the employer negotiates a specified pension payment upon retirement that is predetermined by a formula based on several factors such as employee salary, years of service and age.

In your essay describe for us the pros and cons of both types of retirement plans, along with your analysis of which type of plan would provide the most security for the worker in their retirement years.