Eligibility Requirements

- The applicant must be a three-quarters or full-time graduate student during the award year of the scholarship.
- The applicant must be matriculating in a Master’s of Science or Arts program at an accredited four-year university and majoring in Real Estate, Real Property Management, Mortgage Finance or a construction-related field.
- The applicant must demonstrate an interest in obtaining employment to advance affordable housing in the construction industry, a construction related field, mortgage finance or a similar role in the District of Columbia government upon graduation.
- The Applicant must be a resident of the District of Columbia.

Preference Factors

- Historically underrepresented students who have demonstrated academic excellence;
- Applicants who attend a four-year accredited university located in Washington, D.C.; and
- First time college attendees in the family.

Evaluation Criteria

- Financial need
- Career goals
- Academic achievement
- Employment history
- Extracurricular activities and community service
- Recommendations

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all portions of the application are completed and received by the deadline. Any application or any part of an application received after the deadline will not be considered.

Transcript(s) and Course Requirements

- A transcript from ALL colleges and universities attended is required.
- Transcripts must include a cumulative GPA.
- If course work and grades from a previously attended institution are included on your current institution transcript, you do not need to submit a separate transcript from the previous institution.
Letters of Recommendation

Applicants must submit two letters of recommendation, one academic recommendation and one professional recommendation. The academic recommendation must be completed by an instructor or advisor who is familiar with the applicant’s academic work. The professional recommendation should be completed by a current or former supervisor or employee.

Award Information

- Scholarship amounts may vary and will be distributed over two semesters.
- Second semester awards are contingent upon the student maintaining full-time status and good academic standing.
- Applications and awardees will be reviewed and selected by members of the Todd A. Lee Scholarship Committee.

- Scholarship checks are distributed through the Todd A. Lee Scholarship Fund and will be used for tuition and/or living expenses as decided by the Committee.
- Awardees are invited to apply for the scholarship for a second year.

Award Notification

All applicants will be notified of their award status.