



# LEWIS CENKER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

of the Home Builders Association of Georgia

The Lewis Cenker Scholarship Fund is a non-profit organization created in 1977 by the Home Builders Association of Georgia in honor of the late Lewis B. Cenker, an outstanding Georgian and a national industry leader.

- \* Scholarships are awarded to qualified students seeking a career *directly* related to the home building industry.
- \* Scholarships are also offered to Career Tech Education classes at high schools across the state offering training and certifications directly related to the home building industry.

**Deadline for Submissions:**

**April 1**

***\*Check [hbag.org](http://hbag.org) for deadlines and more information***

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## **ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP**

Lewis Cenker was an Atlanta builder and lawyer who served as President of NAHB (the National Association of Home Builders) in 1974. He is the only Georgian to have served in that position. He was a founding member of HBAG (the Home Builders Association of Georgia) in 1955 and served as their president in 1969. He also served as the president of the Greater Atlanta HBA in 1960.

## **AWARDS / FUNDING**

Scholarship awards will be made in an amount established by the Trustees of the Fund.

Funding is obtained by donations from local home builders associations and individual members and may be in the form of cash, bonds, stock, real estate, etc. Special honorary funds may be set up within the Lewis Cenker Scholarship Fund for an individual, family or company making a minimum donation of \$35,000 which can be made incrementally. This amount is set by the Trustees of the fund. All local home builders association are encouraged to make annual contributions to reach the level of \$35,000 to set up a special fund. Those donations may be made with the stipulation that they are for endowment purposes only, and they shall not be disbursed. Currently, 5% of the value of net assets at year end determines the amount of scholarship awards that will be disbursed the coming school year, at the discretion of the Committee.

## **SELECTION PROCESS**

There are eight trustees/directors of the Lewis Cenker Scholarship Fund Committee who comprise the recipient selection committee. Applicants for student scholarships must be studying in a field directly related to the home building industry. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic excellence, career goals, letters of recommendation, financial need, and other activities related to their studies. CTAE programs must offer training related directly to the home building industry.

## **APPLICATION**

Scholarship applications are reviewed and graded in the spring of each year by the Committee. Recipients are selected at that meeting and each applicant is notified by letter in June.

In order to apply for a Lewis Cenker Scholarship, the application must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be entering an area of study directly related to the home building industry.
2. Must be completed in its entirety, verified and signed at a local home builders association.
3. Must be mailed or delivered to the HBAG office on or before March 1st.
4. Must include school transcript confirming at least a "B" grade point average.
5. Must include a concise Career Goals Statement indicating a direct tie to the home building industry.
6. Must include most recent complete tax returns to show financial need.
7. Must include at least two letters of recommendation.
8. Involvement in other activities related to the field of residential construction should be described.

*\*See the back page for CTAE applications*

**Applications should be mailed or delivered to:**

**Home Builders Association of Georgia  
PO Box 1570  
Senoia, GA 30276**

**Faxed applications are NOT acceptable.  
E-mailed applications are preferred and  
should be sent to [cmorley@hbag.org](mailto:cmorley@hbag.org)**

## ELIGIBILITY FOR STUDENTS

- **Applicants must be entering or continuing their education at an accredited post-secondary institution or a certified technical school. Applicant must be pursuing courses of study designed to train them in an area directly related to the home building industry.**
- Applications must be submitted by builder members or associate members of the Home Builders Association of Georgia through their local association and be signed by the local executive officer. In rare instances of members-at-large who have no local home builders association office, the application may be submitted directly to the HBAG office, with prior approval of the scholarship coordinator.
- **Applications must be received by mail or email at the HBAG office or to [cmorley@hbag.org](mailto:cmorley@hbag.org) on or before April 1st.**
- Scholarships shall be awarded annually to be available for the fall semester of each school year. Scholarship award checks will be mailed directly to the school, college, or university.
- Scholarship amounts will vary. Awards may be made to cover actual training cost for full-time study in an accredited post-secondary institution or an accredited technical school or to a level determined by the Fund's trustees.
- Scholarship funds may be applied to cover actual expenses for tuition, fees, books, special supplies or tools necessary for study. Room and board costs may also be covered. Funds may only be applied toward actual expenses for items considered reasonable or routine for any other student enrolled in the same program of study at the same institution.
- Scholarships are awarded for a one-year period of study. Upon written request from a recipient, providing that all criteria have been met and maintained, extensions beyond the initial scholarship amount may be considered by the Committee.
- Applicant must have at least a "B" grade average at the time of application, and must maintain a "B" or higher grade for each semester of study completed in order to remain on the scholarship during subsequent semesters. **Confirmation of student's quarterly grades and grade point average must be submitted by means of an official school transcript or grade report in order for the application to be considered.**
- A student approved for scholarship support for full-time study in a particular post-secondary program must continue study in that program in order to remain eligible for this scholarship. In order for scholarship to be maintained, the student must notify the Committee in writing of any intended change in the area of study. The request will be considered by the Committee and continued funding must be approved.
- Scholarship awards shall be made with the expectation that the student will remain enrolled in full-time study throughout consecutive semesters or grading periods (summer quarter study not required). Any interruption in continuous enrollment must be justified in writing to the Trustees. Any unjustified interruption in a full-time study schedule may result in cancellation of scholarship funding.
- **Applicant must provide evidence of financial need. Most recently completed tax returns of student (if independent) or parents (if student is a dependent) MUST be submitted with this application.**
- **CTAE programs will complete the last page of the application**

**APPLICATION**  
**LEWIS CENKER SCHOLARSHIP FUND**  
**OF THE HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA, INC.**  
*(application must be completed in its entirety!)*

**Section I. Personal Data**

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Requested \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (MI)

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip)

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(if different from above)

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Section II. Academic Information (Current and Future)**

High School \_\_\_\_\_ GPA\* \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Studies/Courses \_\_\_\_\_

College/University \_\_\_\_\_ GPA\* \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Studies/Courses \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Stated Major \_\_\_\_\_

Financial Office Address \_\_\_\_\_

What college or technical school do you plan to attend? \_\_\_\_\_

What directly related area of home building do you plan to study? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

***(\*Proof of GPA from most recent school/college MUST be included with application!)***

### **Section III. Recommendation**

Attach at least two (2) letters of recommendation from teachers/counselors at your current school.

### **Section IV. Student Narrative**

In 200 words or less, please provide a written response addressing the following points (use a separate sheet and attach it to this application):

1. Your decision to pursue a post-secondary course of study in a residential construction-related field;
2. Your reasons for applying for this scholarship; and
3. Your ultimate career goals and your reasons for them.

### **Section V. Extra-Curricular Activities**

Please describe extra-curricular activities such as social or civic club memberships, employment or internships.

### **Section VI. Financial Information**

Please explain why you need this scholarship assistance. A copy of the most recently completed federal tax returns of parents (if student is a dependent) or student (if employed) must be attached.

Please list all other scholarships or financial assistance you will receive.

**Section VII. Submission Process**

Application must be submitted through local home builders association office. The local HBA must submit to HBAG office no later than April 1.

**Section VIII,**

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Local: \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Section IX. Verification**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date sent to HBAG \_\_\_\_\_  
(Executive Officer or Local President)

**Section X. Received at HBAG Office**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_

**ACTION TAKEN BY FUND TRUSTEES:**

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



## Career Tech Education (CTAE) Applications:

Application must be submitted through local home builders association office. (Local HBA information can be found on the HBAG website at [www.hbag.org](http://www.hbag.org))

The application must be submitted to HBAG office no later than April 1. Emailed applications are welcome and should be sent to Cindy Morley at [cmorley@hbag.org](mailto:cmorley@hbag.org)

Section I:

Name of local high school : \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

CTAE Program Director's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact information (Address): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your school offer residential construction related classes and programs? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list courses offered directly related to the home building industry:

Do you participate in Skills USA? \_\_\_\_\_

If scholarships funds are awarded, how would your program utilize the funds?

Local Home Builders Association: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Local HBA Executive Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

# **LEWIS CENKER SCHOLARSHIP FUND DIRECTORS**

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HBAG Past President 2017/2018

**Vice-Chairman**

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Daughter of Lewis Cenker

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**Director**

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**Scholarship Coordinator**