



KEEPING IT FOR REALTY

Technical Scholarship Program Guidelines

Keeping It For Realty with The Baldwin Group powered by Virginia Capital Realty is dedicated to helping students planning to begin their career post high school from technical programs. The belief is that technical careers and the path leading to those technical careers should be recognized. These students should be given the opportunity to apply the knowledge they learned and have funds to acquire the tools needed to begin their career.

The *Mission* of **Keeping It For Realty Technical Scholarship Program** is to support a phenomenal program while acknowledging students hard work and continue to help prepare the student for a rewarding career.

The *Vision* of **Keeping It For Realty Technical Scholarship Program** is to assist technical students in their journey with the burden of high cost tools or equipment to assist in their future career.

The *Purpose* of the **Keeping It For Realty Technical Scholarship Program** is to provide scholarships to deserving high school graduating seniors intending to pursue a technical career directly graduating from the Bridging Communities program.

For 2025, Keeping It For Realty will award two \$500 scholarship with one recipient in the HVAC program and the other recipient in the diesel mechanic program who will begin a career following the completion of Bridging Communities.

Criteria and eligibility

1. Applicants must be in either the HVAC program or diesel program.
2. Applicants must be a graduating high school senior in the year of the award.
3. Applicants must have at least a **2.0 grade point average** (or a “C” average).
4. Applicants must show motivation and dedication to their pursuing career.
5. Applicants must show a proven work ethic during class sessions by instructor.
6. All applicants must be planning to begin a career in the field of HVAC or diesel/mechanics.

General Instructions

1. DEADLINE for scholarship applications is **May 2, 2025**.
2. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., reference forms, evidence of GPA, etc.)
3. If any question does not apply to you in this application, please put N/A in the space.
4. Type and print legibly.
5. If you have any questions about the application, please call Keeping It For Realty at (804) 441-4868.

Application Process:

Applicants must submit the following items:

1. Completed application form (if handwritten, please print legibly)
2. One letter of recommendation from choice of high school teachers, administrators, counselors, employers, or individual with significant knowledge of applicant's experience and involvement.
3. An official and recent high school transcript with cumulative grade point average.
4. Personal Essay from questions.

Essay Questions:

1. What are some challenges you faced either in the Bridging Communities program or school? How did you overcome those challenges?
2. Why do you feel that you deserve this technical scholarship?
3. What career do you plan to have once you graduated from Bridging Communities and how will this scholarship help?
4. Are you currently working? Do you already have an employer once finishing the program?

Please submit the application at www.keepingitforrealty.com/scholarships

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Print & Submit to Bridging Communities Office