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## **Green Building Scholarship Program Announced By the Florida Green Building Coalition**

TALLAHASSEE – Tallahassee, Fla. — The Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC) has recently funded a statewide scholarship program for deserving individuals pursuing careers in green building or related sustainability disciplines.

Scholarships are valued at \$1,000 per year for each recipient and can be renewed for up to four years. Applications are due by March 31, 2016 for the 2016-2017 academic year. To apply online, visit the Florida Green Building Coalition website at [www.FloridaGreenBuilding.org](http://www.FloridaGreenBuilding.org). Click on the LEARN tab and select SCHOLARSHIPS. (<http://www.floridagreenbuilding.org/scholarships>)

Finalists will be announced in May 2016 and awards presented during end-of-year school ceremonies prior to summer vacation. Scholarship recipients will be invited to attend the FGBC annual GreenTrends Conference to be recognized and acknowledged by industry professionals. Each award recipient will also receive a complimentary FGBC membership for one year.

“The Board of the FGBC is proud to offer this opportunity to the prospective next generation of sustainable professionals in Florida. We see it as our role to encourage Florida's youth to pursue careers in sustainability,” remarks Deirdre Irwin, Board member and Chair of the FGBC Education Review Task Force.

Scholarships like this promote educational opportunities for individuals to build successful construction careers within an industry that is recognized for creating the American Dream of home ownership.

For more information or to apply for an “FGBC Green Build It. Live It” scholarship, please visit [www.FloridaGreenBuilding.org/scholarships](http://www.FloridaGreenBuilding.org/scholarships).

### ***About the Florida Green Building Coalition***

*The Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC) is a nonprofit 501(C)3 Florida corporation founded in 2000 and dedicated to improving the built environment. Its mission is "to lead and promote*

*sustainability with environmental, economic, and social benefits through regional education and certification programs." FGBC certification programs are the only standards developed with climate specific criteria to address issues caused by Florida's hot-humid environment and natural disasters. Currently, FGBC is the leading certifier of green projects in Florida.*

*FGBC's membership is comprised of individuals and businesses from all areas of the building industry, including research, design, materials, products, construction, inspection, marketing, finance and public advocates. For more information about the FGBC "Florida Green" certification programs visit [www.floridagreenbuilding.org](http://www.floridagreenbuilding.org).*

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