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Larry Zarker **Healthy Homes Scholarship**

Instructions and Application

THE SYMBOL OF EXCELLENCE FOR HOME PERFORMANCE CONTRACTORS

LARRY'S TIME AT BPI

Larry Zarker came on board as BPI's CEO in 2006 and brought decades of experience in the residential buildings sector with him. In his role as CEO, he oversaw BPI as its standards and credentials went through national expansion, in addition to the creation and update of several certifications and certificate programs.

Larry is passionate about healthy housing issues and ensuring that contractors, health care workers, social workers and more, are familiar with home health hazards, their impacts, and how to address them. He contributed to the creation of BPI's Healthy Home Evaluator (HHE) certification, Healthy Housing Principles (HHP) certificate program, and has given many presentations on healthy housing at industry conferences. He plans to continue to be involved in consultation and credentialing processes for healthy housing during his retirement, which began in 2024.

PURPOSE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

The Larry Zarker Healthy Homes Scholarship is intended to help individuals who want to make a difference in the comfort, health, and safety of our homes.

This scholarship program can help those who are passionate about healthy homes and can spread awareness to those who are new to healthy housing and the eight "Keep It" principles.



Larry Zarker (right) with Kevin Kennedy (left) MPH, CIEC, and primary author of the Healthy Housing Principles reference guide, at the National Home Performance Conference in 2024.

WHAT THE SCHOLARSHIP COVERS

The Building Performance Institute, Inc., will be awarding this scholarship to five recipients quarterly.

The recipient will receive both a digital and paperback copy of the Healthy Housing Principles (HHP) reference guide. They will also be able to take the HHP exam at no cost. The scholarship will cover one attempt at the exam, which must be taken within a year of when the scholarship is awarded.

APPLYING FOR THE LARRY ZARKER HEALTHY HOMES SCHOLARSHIP

WHEN TO APPLY

The scholarship program is open year-round and we will award five scholarships per quarter.

WHO SHOULD APPLY

This scholarship is only available to individuals who do not already hold the Healthy Housing Principles (HHP) Certificate of Knowledge.

Individuals can only receive this scholarship once. If you previously received the Larry Zarker Healthy Homes Scholarship, you are not eligible to receive the scholarship again.

Applicants must meet one of the eligibility areas below:

- Students attending college/trade school with a relevant major/program (e.g., environmental health, building sciences, construction, social work, health care).
- Work in the health/community service fields.
- Staff at BPI GoldStar Contractor organizations.
- Individuals who live in a community identified as disadvantaged, based on the [Justice40](#) mapping tool.



LARRY ZARKER HEALTHY HOMES SCHOLARSHIP

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING

Before submitting this application, please visit the [Healthy Housing Principles Certificate page](#) on our website. The webpage includes information on the HHP certificate program and additional healthy housing resources that can be referenced.

Please complete this application in its entirety. Any sections marked optional do not have to be completed, but they will be used to help determine the scholarship recipients. If applying as a student or professional in a relevant field, please include proof of college major/trade school program, such as a college transcript or letter from a teacher, or provide proof of employment, such as a recent paystub or letter from your employer, with your application.

The recipients of the Larry Zarker Healthy Homes Scholarship will be chosen at BPI's discretion, based on the scholarship application and any accompanying documents that are submitted. Applicants who are not selected to receive the scholarship are welcome to apply again in the future.





PERSONAL INFORMATION

Please enter your name as it appears on your driver's license or other official documents.

Legal Name:

Last

First

M.I.

Suffix (Jr., Sr., etc.)

Address:

Street Address

Line 2

Address

City/Town

State

Zip/Postal Code

Preferred Phone:

Other Phone:

Email Address:

Have you previously applied for the Larry Zarker Healthy Homes Scholarship? Yes No

ELIGIBILITY

Please check all that apply.

I live in a community identified as disadvantaged, based on the Justice40 mapping tool.

Areas of Relevant Work:

Community Health Worker/In-Home Nurse/Health Educator

County/City Health Department Staff

Medical Facility Staff/Administration

BPI GoldStar Contractor

Other Relevant Health-Related Position:

Relevant Majors/Educational Programs:

Environmental Health

Building Sciences

Construction

Social Work

Health Care

Other Relevant Major:

Please indicate your age range:

16-17	40-49
18-29	50-59
30-39	60+

Please indicate if you are any of the following:

U.S. Veteran
Active Duty U.S. Military
National Guard or Active Reserve

What is the highest level of education you have completed?

Some High School/Still in High School
High School Diploma/GED
Some College – No Degree
Associate Degree
Bachelor's Degree
Master's Degree
Doctorate
Other:

EXPERIENCE (Optional)

Please describe your experience in the sections below. This information will help determine the recipients of the Larry Zarker Healthy Homes Scholarship, so please be as detailed as possible. If you do not have experience in any given area, please leave that section blank. If you need additional space, please attach your responses to the end of the application.

Please briefly explain your student studies or work experience, that relates to healthy homes.

Please share why you would like to obtain the HHP Certificate of Knowledge and any other goals you may have related to this field.

Please briefly describe any volunteer activities in which you have participated and when those activities took place.

Please list any awards, honors, certifications, or credentials you have received, currently hold or have held in the past. Please indicate the year you received any awards or honors and the date range in which you held any certifications.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please attach work or education documentation, as explained in the “Instructions for Applying”. If you have additional information that did not fit in the space provided on this application, please attach additional documents.

AUTHORIZATION

By signing this document, you certify that all information in this application and the accompanying documentation is true and correct.

Signature:

Date:

Please submit your completed application by mail, fax or email:

Mail to:

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Attn: Larry Zarker Healthy Homes Scholarship
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Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Fax to:

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