



**BUILDING &  
CONSTRUCTION  
FOUNDATION**

## **Information Booklet**

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*The Building and Construction Foundation was established by Master Builders Victoria in 2010 and aims to unlock barriers to entry and progression within the building and construction industry.*

**Our vision is that every individual has the opportunity to succeed in our industry through access to education and ongoing development.**

Our thriving industry is diverse. There are career options to suit all, no matter where your skillset or interest lies. The industry also celebrates diversity in all forms and is home to a varied and talented workforce from rich and diverse backgrounds. But there is still more work to be done and the Foundation seeks to address this need for greater diversity and accessibility. If you are ready to take the leap and build on your career in construction, our Foundation can help.

The Foundation is there to help unlock any barrier you may have to accessing education or further training, whether that is financial, occupational or educational. We provide assistance through a range of scholarships to support you at each stage of your career and we also provide other important value-added support through access to mentors, advice and work opportunities if a need is identified. Financial assistance can be used towards course fees, the development of a tool kit or other equipment, resources and expenses to support your studies and progression of your career.



**Over 220 individuals supported by the Foundation**



**Over \$600k in scholarship funds granted**



**Over 30 types of training activity funded**





*It is my goal to become a highly reputable and skilled carpenter. To have my apprenticeship supported by Master Builders gives me great confidence that I will excel as my career progresses"*

**Maudie**

Certificate III in  
Carpentry

**Best if you're new to the industry**

## **EARLY CAREER SCHOLARSHIP**

**- \$2,200**

This is available to you for if you would like to undertake a pre-apprenticeship, apprenticeship or further training in a construction or related field. To help you get prepared for the construction industry, the funds are split into two parts:

- \$1,200 towards approved course fees
- \$1,000 worth of quality tools relevant to your trade

Previous successful candidates have used these funds towards a variety of qualifications including:

- Certificate III in Carpentry
- Certificate II in Electrotechnology
- Certificate III in Cabinet Making
- Certificate III in Plumbing
- Plant machinery training
- AutoCAD Level 1

# Best if you're building on your skills

## CAREER ADVANCEMENT SCHOLARSHIP - UP TO \$5,000

This is available to you if you would like to pursue a qualification above Certificate III level or approved professional development in a construction or related field. Funds can also be put towards reference materials or equipment to assist you with your selected training.

This scholarship can be used towards training in the following subcategories.

### BUILDER REGISTRATION

Course options could include Certificate IV or Diploma level qualifications in Building and Construction or approved Builder Registration professional development programs.

### INDUSTRY NEED

Course options could include qualifications in Building Surveying, Construction Management or other courses to develop skills and experience within the industry.

### LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT

Course options could include diploma or degree courses in Design, Civil Engineering, Construction Management or Project Management or accredited courses and other qualifications to support you to progress a career in a leadership role.

### SUSTAINABILITY AND INNOVATION

Course options could include advancing technological benefits in the fields of construction, design and trades. Sustainability courses include Passive House training, Master Builders Green Living (Domestic) short course or other qualifications designed to develop expertise in sustainability and energy efficient construction.



*As an apprentice carpenter, receiving this scholarship has helped remove the financial obstacle of exploring a parallel pathway in construction, by allowing me to undertake a Diploma of Project Management. The scholarship has also provided access to new opportunities, and support and guidance from industry leaders. I encourage anyone looking to succeed in the industry to look to the Foundation and find out how they too can help you achieve your goals.*

**Ken**

Diploma of Project Management





## Best if you aspire to be a leader in the industry

### LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP - UP TO \$10,000

This is available to you if you are ready to lead and want to reach your own leadership potential and you are recognised as an emerging leader in your field. Funded initiatives could include tertiary studies, including degree courses in Building and Construction Management, the Master of Construction or an MBA. Funds can be sought to support course fees as well as reference materials, equipment or other expenses that are necessary to successfully complete your studies.

## Best for organisations

### CORPORATE APPLICATIONS

Corporate applications are open to organisations which provide initiatives to support the building and construction industry. Support from the Foundation could include sponsorship of award categories at student award ceremonies, funding for projects aimed at strengthening the skills of the building and construction workforce and more. The Foundation is also open to partnerships with educational institutions to sponsor their scholarship initiatives.



*Master Builders Victoria Foundation has given me a life changing opportunity to learn from the best in the construction industry. With their amazing network and support, I am confident that I can kick start my career in the right direction. Furthermore, this scholarship allows me to focus on work and my Master degree without having to worry about my university tuition.*

**Han**

Final year Master of Construction



# ELIGIBILITY & HOW TO APPLY FOR INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS

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To be eligible to apply, you must be either an Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident of Australia.

Applicants must reside in Victoria upon their application date and intend to remain involved in the building and construction industry in Victoria following completion of their selected course or training. You must also be able to demonstrate that you receive limited support from other sources, such as parents, and identify the barrier that you are facing in accessing the studies, whether that is financial, occupational or some other barrier that the support of the Foundation could help unlock

Applying is easy.

- 1** Visit [www.mbav.com.au](http://www.mbav.com.au) and click onto Building & Construction Foundation in the Careers and Registration tab to download a copy of the application form.
- 2** Complete your application and gather any required supporting documents. This includes a resume, two written references and photo ID.
- 3** Submit your completed application to [foundation@mbav.com.au](mailto:foundation@mbav.com.au).
- 4** Once your application has been received, we will contact you to discuss your application, confirm we have the information we need from you and to advise you on the next steps.
- 5** Your application is put before our Board of Directors who will make a decision on the outcome.



## QUESTIONS ABOUT APPLYING?

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## DONATIONS

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*As a registered, independent charity, the Foundation relies on the generosity of individuals and organisations within the building and construction industry who understand the importance of investing in the future of their industry and share a commitment to Corporate Social Responsibility. As well as making a difference to the lives of our scholarship recipients, the investment by our supporters enables the Foundation to keep developing future talent, thus ensuring the long-term sustainability of our industry.*

Our Foundation is an independent Charitable Trust with full tax deductible status. You can help provide opportunities for someone to build a career within our industry by making a donation to the Foundation or sponsoring a scholarship.

Initiatives for donor acknowledgement include the provision of a named scholarship, involvement in criteria and recipient selection and recognition of donor generosity through Master Builders Victoria communications and events.

For further information or to make a donation to the Foundation please contact the Foundation Director on email [foundation@mbav.com.au](mailto:foundation@mbav.com.au) or phone (03) 9411 4555.



*I view the Foundation as the "Opportunity Palace" for advancement and training in the Victorian building industry. Over time the support provided will build highly trained male and female future leaders for our industry which will ensure high quality construction of buildings for us all to use and enjoy over generations. It's not just about Now, it's also about the Future. I support the Foundation and give back every year as it's an Industry specific organization and simply a "no brainer" to do so.*

**Glenn Jones, Boston Consulting Group**

Key Supporter since inception

