



# Future Builders of America

## The Future of Home Building in Florida

Hundreds move to Florida every day – each needing a place to call home. Construction is Florida’s second largest industry - ranking between tourism and agriculture. Employing more than one million people, Florida’s home building industry generates more than \$40 billion in economic impact each year.

Despite the incredible growth of Florida’s population and economy, the home building industry is facing a skilled workforce shortage. Without a skilled workforce, the drywall isn't

hung, nails aren't hammered and plumbing is not plumbed.

To help promote the residential construction industry as a great professional opportunity to Florida’s future employees, visionary members of the FHBA created the Florida Home Builders (FHB) Foundation. The Foundation promotes housing-related educational activities and helps youth understand and pursue rewarding careers in home building and related construction trades.



## FHB Foundation Programs

### Scholarships

The FHB Foundation Scholarship Fund helps address the pressing need for a better educated and trained workforce in the residential construction industry. Since 2000, the FHB Foundation has awarded more than \$15,000 in scholarship funds to students interested in a home building career. Scholarships are for high school, college and returning students and can be used for technical school, community college or university education.

### Summer Camp

The Foundation provides an annual summer camp experience for students to learn more about the construction industry and develop leadership skills. There are plans to build a summer leadership camp program on 500 acres in North Florida for use by FBA Chapters across the state. The facility will provide meeting space, recreational facilities and residential cabins.

## Learning Today...Building Tomorrow

Future Builders of America is the workforce development program of the Florida Home Builders Foundation. Future Builders of America links the local building community to students from area schools that offer construction-related classes.

A Future Builders chapter is like a club that helps bridge the gap between school and work . Guest speakers and field trips to building sites along with opportunities for summer and post-graduation employment help introduce students to rewarding opportunities in the residential construction industry. Additionally, students develop leadership and team building skills, learn how to run a meeting and use parliamentary procedure, and become part of the local home building community.



The Charitable Arm of The Florida Home Builders Association

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