



Lower Mainland Down Syndrome Society

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POST-SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

INTRODUCTION

The Lower Mainland Down Syndrome Society financially assists students (with Down syndrome) seeking post-secondary education through providing two post-secondary scholarships up to a maximum of \$250 each, per calendar year.

1. Application Information and Criteria

- a) The applicant or applicant's family must have a membership with the Lower Mainland Down Syndrome Society.
- b) The applicant must be a resident of British Columbia.
- c) The applicant must show proof that they are over the age of 18 or provide their school leaving, graduation, or Dogwood certificate.
- d) The applicant must plan to attend an institution for continued learning during the following year— i.e., a university, college, institute, training centre, or other learning program. Proof of enrollment must be provided before a cheque will be issued.
- e) The applicant should provide the following information in a cover letter with the application.

Name

Street Address

City and Postal Code

Phone Number

E-mail Address (if available)

- f) The applicant should submit a description of the course to which the scholarship will be applied, and how the course will contribute to his or her continued learning.

2. Tell us about Yourself

To aid in the selection process an applicant should submit a few words about him- or herself. This could include biographical material, a summary of interests, extra-curricular activities, and/or any community involvement.

3. References are Beneficial

The applicant should submit at least one letter of reference from a non-family member, preferably a teacher or instructor.

4. Where do I submit my Application?

Please mail, fax, or email your application and details to

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. What can I use the scholarship money for?

You can use the money for many types of learning. This could include, but is not limited to, universities (UBC/SFU), colleges (Kwantlen University College, Douglas College, Vancouver Community College), institutes (Emily Carr), or continued learning programs (Down Syndrome Research Foundation, Invergarry Adult Learning Centre)

2. How much money do I apply for?

There are two scholarships of \$250.00 each. You may apply for one.

3. Is the scholarship a loan which needs to be paid back? No; this is a gift.

4. Do I have to be a certain age to get the scholarship?

You need to be over 18 or have your high school graduation certificate, or your school-leaving certificate.

5. Do I have to have a diagnosis of Down syndrome?

Yes. This scholarship is only for people with Down syndrome.

6. Do I have to be a resident and live in British Columbia?

Yes, in order to qualify, you need to be a resident of British Columbia for at least one year.

7. When do I need to send in my application?

Applications should be received by July 15 to be considered for the next academic year. Recipients will be notified no later than August 15.

8. How will I know whether or not I will receive the scholarship?

You will receive a letter confirming that you have been awarded a scholarship. Money will be sent directly to you when you have shown proof of enrollment (i.e., a bill or invoice for the course in which you have enrolled).

9. Can I apply for the scholarship more than once?

The funds are open to everyone, even if they have been awarded monies before. However, where there are multiple applicants, preference will be given to those not selected previously.

10. What if I do not know how to fill out the forms?

Do as much as you can yourself, but you can have help filling out your application. Application submission information is found under INTRODUCTION, Section 4.