

Advancing Futures Bursary

Support for former youth in care and/or youth on extensions of care

The Advancing Futures Bursary is being offered to former youth in care and/or youth on extensions of care who are attending post secondary education on a full or part time basis. This bursary, coordinated through the Futures Forward program, is intended to assist individuals with education costs to support their training and employment pathway.

Bursaries up to \$10,000 will be based on:

- Demonstrated financial need
- Academic merit
 - min 2.0 GPA and/or Grade C
- Time in Care
- Commitment to education and career pathway

Eligible Programs:

- Post-secondary diploma or degree through an accredited education program

Apprenticeship Technical Training is NOT eligible.

Past Advancing Futures award recipients are eligible to re-apply for the bursary

Eligibility

- A resident of Manitoba
- A Youth in Care or Former Youth in Care that meets one of the following:
 - Have been in the care or custody of Manitoba Child and Family Services, or received extension of care supportive services from a CFS agency, for at least 12 months between the time you were 13 and 21 years of age.
- Attending post-secondary education for a minimum of one year:
 - Full time (according to the institution) or Part-Time at an eligible post-secondary educational institution. (please note: Selection Criteria will be evaluated based course load and hours)

How to Apply?

- Complete the Advancing Futures Bursary application form
- Include a copy of current transcript
- For first time applicants, complete the Advancing Futures Bursary consent form to verify school registration and youth in care status with the Department of Families or Child Welfare Authority
- Provide a **cover letter** telling the selection committee why you chose your current post secondary program and your aspirations for the future and what you plan to do with the award (2 page max)
- **Application deadline is: FRIDAY FEBRUARY 23, 2018**

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All Bursaries must be reported to Student Aid

Financial support will be determined based on demand for the bursary and available financial resources