

## **Bursary & Scholarship Program**

Since the start of its Bursary program, the Rotary Club of Pickering has provided an estimated \$25,000 in financial support to students. Rotary Club of Pickering Bursaries and Scholarships are made possible thanks to the Clubs fundraising efforts and generous supporters. While we work to increase the amount of funding available each year, due to the growth in the number of applications, we are not able to fund every student that applies.

The Rotary Club of Pickering Bursaries and Scholarships are open to outstanding students graduating from a Greater Pickering Area secondary school who will be attending a Canadian College or University.

The Rotary Club of Pickering Bursaries are non-repayable awards allocated on the basis of financial need, academic excellence, leadership, school involvement and community service.

- Rotary Club of Pickering Paul Harris Bursary is awarded to a student pursuing postsecondary education with studies in promoting peace, environmental, fighting disease, water & sanitation, international or education, and who meet the selection criteria as detailed in the program (\$1500)
- **Rotary Club of Pickering Bursary** is awarded to a student pursuing post-secondary education, who meet the selection criteria as detailed in the program (\$1500)
- Rotary Club of Pickering Indigenous Achievement Bursary is awarded to an Indigenous student who meets the selection criteria and starting a four-year post-secondary program. (\$1500)

In addition to the financial support, one member of the Bursary and Scholarship Committee takes on a very important and gratifying mentorship role with each student throughout their undergraduate years. This is invaluable for the student who is making the often difficult transition to post-secondary education, perhaps without appropriate role models. With the mentor's support, these students become ambassadors for Rotary and volunteer at local fundraisers, District Conferences and other events.

Candidates must provide evidence of Academic Achievement, Community Involvement and Financial Need. Deadline for submission is June 30, 2021.

There is one application for all of Rotary Club of Pickering Bursaries, Scholarships, and Awards. You only need to complete the application once to be considered for all applicable Bursaries, Scholarships, and Awards.

The application can be downloaded from our website at <a href="www.pickeringrotary.ca">www.pickeringrotary.ca</a>, under 'About Us'/Education Services or click on the button titled 'Bursary and Scholarship Program', located on the right-hand side of the website.



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Deadline:	Application must be received by Tuesday, June 30, 2021. Please mail to:
	Rotary Club of Pickering Scholarship Program P.O. Box 7 Pickering, ON L1V 2R2
	OR
	Scan and email to scholarship@pickeringrotary.ca

<b>Decision:</b>	-	All applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee.
	-	The successful applicant will be notified the week of <b>July 15</b> , <b>2021</b> .
	•	The successful applicant <b>must</b> be present to accept the award at a ceremony, date to be determined.

Scholarship Amount:	\$1,500.00 (paid directly to post-secondary institution)
Eligibility:	1. A Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada (male/female) who resides in the Greater Pickering Area.
	2. The age of 25 and under as of the end of the year in which the scholarship is granted.
	3. Enrolled in a Durham Region high school and is registered to attend a Canadian College or University in the fall/winter or attending a Canadian university or college of the year in which the scholarship is granted.



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Selection Criteria:	1. Recognized contribution to the community
	2. Financial Need
	3. Academic Achievement of 75% or higher
	4. Interview
	5. An essay describing the reasons why you would be a worthy recipient of a Rotary Club of Pickering Bursary and Scholarship. Include your contribution to the community, other volunteer activities, your academic achievements, and your most significant accomplishment.

<b>Application</b>
<b>Requirements:</b>

- 1. A completed application form.
- 2. A brief outline of your budget for the coming year including some information on all expected sources of funding (e.g. parents, student loans, etc.).
- 3. Two letters of reference. One must be a teacher from your school, the other from an individual who is familiar with your community/volunteer work.
- 4. A recent official high school transcript or university/college transcript with proof of acceptance and/or registered in a Canadian college or university.
- 5. A passport size photo (will be the property of Rotary Club of Pickering) and a 200 word statement about you, including your volunteer efforts, what you will be or are already studying in university or college. Students entering first year must provide their accomplishments in high school. The statement will be published on our website and shared through social media if you receive a scholarship.