



The Sir Charles Bright Scholarship Trust - providing \$2000 Scholarships to University and TAFE students with disability

The Trust, founded in 1984, in memory of Supreme Court Judge Sir Charles Bright, has assisted over four hundred students since being established in Adelaide by blind lawyer Malcolm Penn OAM and Rosemary Penn OAM. Sir Charles' numerous contributions to our society included Chancellor of Flinders University, Chairman of Minda Homes, Executive member of the World Association of Judges and a member of the Enquiry which led to the creation of the SA Health Commission. Scholarship funds awarded now total around \$400,000.

Scholarships are awarded to students with disability undertaking education at University, TAFE or other recognised post-secondary institutions. Applications made during October through January are considered by the Board and detailed interviews follow during February.

Applicants can apply through the various tertiary institutions' Disability Services and / or by requesting an application form through email: scholarship@gmail.com. Students who come from country areas are encouraged to lodge applications and can be interviewed by telephone.

Certificates and cheques are presented at a reception at Adelaide University late February by a Minister of the State Government. Trustees receive heartfelt feedback from students as they progress in their chosen fields and begin to realise their full potential.

The trustees are very grateful to the following sponsors who have supported the Scholarship for many years: Rotary Clubs of Adelaide and Brighton, Lions Clubs of Prospect/Blair Athol, and Edwardstown, the Royal Society for the Blind, Guide Dogs SA/NT, Brain Foundation, SCOSA, Multiple Sclerosis Society, SRPH, and many private donors. There are no administrative costs.

On behalf of the Trustees, I encourage Rotary clubs to please allocate \$2000 for one scholarship to support this very important and successful program or consider a donation to the Trust. Clubs may choose to nominate and fund a specific student for \$2,000.

Rotary clubs are asked to text/email/call Adelaide Rotary Club Past President, John Seaton on 0419 804 840 or ajohnseaton@icloud.com for more information as to how to provide a scholarship.