



201 Southwestern Ontario Diversity Scholarship Application

Deadline: March , 201

CHF Canada recognizes that the strength of its membership is in the many cultures and identities represented within co-ops. The purpose of the Southwestern Ontario Diversity Scholarship is to recognize young people living in co-ops who are actively promoting diversity in their community. Our goal is to financially support the emerging leaders of the co-op housing movement in their pursuit of post-secondary education.

The Scholarship

The scholarship is \$5,000 distributed over 4 years. Recipients will receive \$2,000 in their first year of study and \$1,000 for each subsequent year, up to a maximum of \$5,000.

Scholarships are awarded to students graduating from high school and entering college or university. We also offer scholarships for students who are currently enrolled in college or university undergraduate program or are returning to college or university after a break to complete an undergraduate program.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- live or maintain primary residence in a CHF Canada member housing co-op in Southwestern Ontario
- plan to attend a publicly funded Canadian community college, university or approved apprenticeship training program on a full-time basis in the 2019/2020 academic year
- have used their knowledge and understanding of diversity to make a positive contribution to their school and/or local community
- be under 30 years old
- demonstrate financial need, and
- agree to attend the CHF Canada Diversity Scholarship presentation in the fall of 2019.

Before completing this application, please contact **Denise McGahan at 519-453-0999 or 1-800-644-3949 to make sure you are eligible.**

Important information

To apply, fill out this PDF application online, print the package and sign page 8. Attach your essay and all of the required documents to the application and mail it to:

CHF Canada Ontario Region
720 Spadina Ave., Suite 313
Toronto, ON M5S 2T9
Attn: Denise McGahan

Remember to gather all the required documents from your sources well ahead of the March 4, 2019 deadline.

Here is how the scholarship is distributed:

Four-year program

- First year \$2,000, second year \$1,000, third year \$1,000, fourth year \$1,500

Three-year program

- First year \$2,000, second year \$1,000, third year \$1,000

Two-year program

- First year \$2,000, second year \$1,000

If you are already attending college or university

The scholarship is pro-rated for your undergraduate program. For example, someone part way through a program would be funded for the remaining years of that program.

Students will have to show us

- proof that they are registered as a full-time student
- a transcript showing passing marks for the program
- proof that their accounts with the college or university are up to date.

Part A

Personal Information

First Name

Initial

Last Name

Date of Birth: _____

Day Month Year

Phone number

Cell phone number

E-mail address

Name of the CHF Canada member co-op you live in

Home address

City

Postal Code

Education

As of September 2019, I will be enrolled in _____ for

What program are you enrolled in or plan to enroll in? (include program length)

What is the name of the high school you are graduating or have graduated from?

In which year will you graduate or did you graduate from high school?

What post-secondary institution do you plan to attend?

If you are already in a college or university program, please provide your student number:

Part B

Volunteer Activities

List the three most recent volunteer activities you participated in that helped to support your community or co-op. In the space provided, describe the activity, and your role and responsibilities. (Please type in the space provided below)

1. _____ Start _____ End _____ Hours _____
Organization month/year month/year hours/week

2. _____ Start _____ End _____ Hours _____
Organization month/year month/year hours/week

3. _____ Start _____ End _____ Hours _____
Organization month/year month/year hours/week

Part C

Essay

Please write a short essay (500 words and word-processed) on the following subject. *No handwritten essays will be accepted.*

"What are two ways we can make housing co-ops more welcoming and inclusive places to live?"

Part D

References

Please provide two reference letters. The letters should be no more than one page in length, single-spaced, and word processed.

- If you are graduating from high school, one letter must be from a teacher, guidance counsellor or administrator from your school and on school letterhead.
- If you are part way through your college or university program, one letter should be from an instructor or professor on letterhead.
- If you are returning to school after an interruption, your letters could be from your co-op's manager, or an employer.
- Both letters should illustrate your character, community contributions and the likelihood of your future academic success.

Transcript

Please provide an up-to-date academic transcript.

Part E

Financial Situation

Please fill in the chart below with approximate amounts. It should reflect any expenses and income sources for the upcoming year. Remember you are calculating for the entire year and not just the school year. Misrepresentation of your financial situation will result in your application being disqualified.

Expenses

Housing	\$ _____
Travel (car, public transit)	\$ _____
Tuition and fees	\$ _____
Books and supplies	\$ _____
Personal (personal care items, etc.)	\$ _____
Other (please specify)	\$ _____

Total Expenses \$ _____

Income

Personal savings	\$ _____
Student loans or grants	\$ _____
Awards and bursaries	\$ _____
Family contribution	\$ _____
Employment income	\$ _____
Other (please specify)	\$ _____

Total income \$ _____

Part F

Consent and Declaration

I certify that this application has been honestly and accurately completed. I understand that any false or incomplete information may cancel my application.

I, _____ agree that

1. Scholarship decisions may only be made by the Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada and that those decisions are final.
2. Scholarship funds will only be granted to me if I am living in a CHF Canada member housing co-op in Southwestern Ontario and enrolled full-time in a publicly funded Canadian college or university or approved apprentice training program for the upcoming academic year.
3. If I am successful my name and photograph will be published online and in CHF Canada's eNews publications.
4. I will participate in CHF Canada's award ceremony in the fall of 2019 and other events if my attendance is requested.

Applicant's name

Applicant's signature

Parent/guardian's signature
(If under 18 years old.)

Date

Keep In Mind

Application deadline: **March 4, 2019 at 5:00 P.M.**

You may be asked to come in for an interview or participate in a phone interview a few weeks after the application deadline.

Application Checklist

I have filled out the application form completely.

I have signed and dated the application.

I have enclosed my personal essay.

I have provided 2 reference letters.

I have also enclosed an up-to-date academic transcript.

The application needs to be mailed in time for the deadline:

Mon. March 4, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Please remember, we will not process any incomplete, or faxed applications.



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