

LUCILLE HARKNESS MEMORIAL BURSARY

PURPOSE:

The **Lucille Harkness Memorial Bursary** was created to honour the life of Lucille Harkness, who passed away days before her Grandson's wedding. It is with her lessons in our hearts that we create this scholarship to promote community involvement.

Lucille was actively involved in her community in Nelson, BC and she often volunteered her time by helping her community, neighbours and church. Education was important to Lucille, and through her kindness and generosity she taught the importance of education and community service to those fortunate enough to cross paths with her. Lucille, though a devout Catholic, believed in the power of love. In particular, Lucille was supportive of the LGBTQ community, thinking all God's children deserved love. It is with this in mind that special consideration will be granted towards involvement in projects that benefit the LGBTQ community. We will award this scholarship to someone who has been involved with community projects, plans to continue them, and start their own in their post-secondary years.

Bursaries of \$1,000 are available to the chosen recipient who plans to pursue his or her studies at a community college, university or equivalent educational institution in British Columbia. The award is based on applicant's financial need, academic potential, commitment to studies, and community involvement.

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS:

Applicants for a bursary award must:

- Be a graduating senior from any British Columbia secondary school;
- Have been accepted to study in any post-secondary institution in British Columbia;
- In need of financial assistance;
- Demonstrate academic excellence in secondary school and therefore potentially succeed in post-secondary education;
- Demonstrate outstanding contribution in community leadership and initiatives to positively impact their peers in areas of diversity, LGBTQ acceptance, and social involvement to lessen bullying and negativity

The applicant must write a brief essay (400-500 words) stating why they deserve the bursary and outline the reasons why they fit the criteria mentioned above. In addition, the applicant must present a 200-300 word letter from a reference (counsellor, teacher, principal, sports league coach, etc).

SELECTION OF RECIPIENT:

The recipient of the bursary award will be selected by founders, with assistance from the Vancity Community Foundation, based on the above qualifications.

DEADLINE:

For further information or to submit your application, please contact Jacqueline Dagg at Vancity Community Foundation. All applications must be **received no later than June 15** and can be sent to:

Vancity Community Foundation
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LUCILLE HARKNESS MEMORIAL BURSARY – APPLICATION FORM
(administered and supported by the Vancity Community Foundation)

STUDENT'S PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Cell/Alternate: _____

Email address: _____

High School: _____

Graduation Year: _____

Post Secondary Education you will be attending: _____

REFERENCE:

Reference's Name: _____

Position (teacher, counsellor, or principal): _____

School: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please include a letter of reference and comment on why the student is qualified for this award based on demonstrated financial need, academic potential, commitment to studies, and community involvement.

STUDENT ESSAY:

Include a brief essay (400-500 words) and consider the following: What are your big plans to make the world a better place in the future? Anything grand can happen by executing small steps that positively impacts our environment, our peers, and future generations. Please take a moment here to share how your project will benefit the LGBTQ community if applicable. In addition, please outline your chosen field to study (or if you haven't decided yet, state the reason why).

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