



TRANSITION KIT BURSARY (\$150)

Dear Applicants, transitioning out of care can be a really scary and lonely endeavour, but also a time to take pride in your household and pride in your accomplishments. Many young people in/from care have reported that they did not feel emotionally or financially ready to be independent at 19. At the FBCYICN we witness your struggle and feel that this bursary will help alleviate some of the financial burden you face as you begin your journey into adulthood.

This bursary provides youth in/from care (14–24) with a \$150 transition kit –items that will support young people who are transitioning to independence. FBCYICN defines “in care” as continuing custody orders (or permanent ward), temporary custody orders (temporary ward), youth agreements, kith and kin agreements (now extended family plan), voluntary care agreements, correctional facilities (secure and open custody) and various specialized government agreements¹.

This bursary does not replace the transition money given to some young people in care; it is meant to supplement it. Transition money varies for many reasons including care status and need. **This bursary is a competitive process and only 2–3 applicants per region will be selected.**

Applicants will not receive money directly.

If selected to receive this bursary, FBCYICN will purchase a transition kit based on what the applicant indicates on their wish list and have them shipped directly to the young person. When this is not possible, FBCYICN will make alternate arrangements to have their desired list delivered to the applicant.

Eligibility requirements (must meet all these requirements):

- * Youth 14 –25 years old (cannot be older than 25)
- * In or from government care in BC
- * Has not received a transition kit from FBCYICN before
- * Either currently living on their own or will be in eight months

Applicants will be notified a FBCYICN staff member approximately 2–3 weeks after the application deadline.

Application deadline is June 14th, 2013.

Thanks for applying to this bursary. Supporting young people as they become independent is very important part of our work as an organization. We wish we could give this and more to each and every one of you who applies. Better still, that these kits weren't needed at all.

Warmly,

Sam Pothier

Program Manager, Federation of BC Youth in Care Networks

¹For more information about care statuses, please contact the FBCYICN office at (604) 527–7762 or 1 (800) 565–8055.

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Please fill out and provide the following information and email it to sam_pothier@fbcyicn.ca:

Name: _____

Address (include city and postal code): _____

Phone number: _____

Care status: _____

Email address: _____

Birthdate: _____

Provide a letter from your social worker verifying your care status and the amount of money you have received or will receive from other transition funding. If you are unable to get a letter from your social worker, please provide their contact information below and a FBCYICN staff member will contact them directly:

Social worker name: _____

Social worker number: _____

A maximum one page essay about why you could really use this bursary and your plans to use the items. Some information to include is how this bursary will help you, what you want to use the money for, why the selection committee should choose you and a description of your current living situation i(for example, do you live on your own, will be moving out on your own soon, etc). Basically, tell us where you're at and why you're awesome!

Completed Wish List form (see below)²

If you're interested please let us know what kind of info you would like to receive from us about our programs and services:

Education

Public Speaking

Advocacy

Leadership Training

Local Development

Power Pages

Membership

Steering Committee Meeting

Transitions

Volunteering

Would you like to receive our:

E-Newsletter (bi-weekly)

Power Pages (3 times a year)

Job Postings

²Please note that you may not receive all the gifts that you've requested

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Bedroom Items

- Sheets – twin/double/queen
- Blanket – twin/double/queen
- Pillows – soft/medium/firm
- Bedside lamp
- Night stand
- Other *(please specify)*

Kitchen Items

- Cutlery (knives/ forks/ spoons)
- Cups/ mugs
- Dishes – plates/ bowls
- Pots and pans/ Frying Pan
- Serving Dishes – large bowl, platter, serving spoons
- Dish drying rack
- Dish cloths
- Dish towels
- Cutting board
- Kettle – stovetop or electric
- Toaster or Toaster Oven
- Microwave
- Baking supplies *(please specify)*

- Other *(please specify)*

If you have any allergies or food preferences please specify:

If you have colour or style preferences (please specify):

Bathroom Items

- Bath towels/hand towel/face cloths
- Bath mat
- Shower curtain
- Toothbrush holder/soap dish
- Plunger
- Toilet scrubber
- Other *(please specify)*

Baby Items

- Bedding
- Clothing *(please specify)*

- Baby Bottles
- Diapers
- Wipes
- Baby powder/ cream
- Baby formula
- Baby food

Miscellaneous

- Laundry detergent
- Dryer sheets
- Cleaning supplies
- Mop
- Broom
- Dish soap
- Tea towels
- Laundry hamper
- Other *(please specify)*

Please rate your gifts in order of preference:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
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- 14.