



## **BC FOSTER PARENTS ASSOCIATION**

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## **Natural Child Bursary**

The Natural Child Bursary was founded in 1991 for the birth or adopted children of BCFPA foster parent members in BC who have completed Grade 12 and wish to pursue a vocational, trade, or academic post-secondary program at an accredited BC institution.

### **Who can apply**

- You are a birth or legally adopted child of a foster parent who has held a membership in the BC Foster Parents Association for three consecutive years.
- You are currently a BC resident.
- You have completed Grade 12 and are currently enrolled or planning to enroll in a post-secondary academic, technical or vocational program, a recognized public post-secondary institution, or a registered private post-secondary institution. A letter of confirmation should be included with your application.
- You are able to provide two reference letters from two significant people in your life (e.g. teacher, mentor or friend). One of the letters needs to be written by a non-family member.
- You will submit a 500-word essay about the important lessons you have learned as a member of a foster family and how your experiences helped shape who you are today.

### **When to apply**

Applications will be accepted in May of each year.

### **Amount of bursary**

One annual bursary of \$500 will be distributed. Recipients are limited to the awarding of one bursary annually.

### **How to submit your application**

#### **By mail:**

BCFPA  
208-20641 Logan Avenue  
Langley, BC V3A 7R3

#### **By email:**

[office@bcfosterparents.ca](mailto:office@bcfosterparents.ca)

#### **By online form:**

Fill out the online form available on our website.

### **Next steps**

Once the application has been reviewed, BCFPA will notify the candidate by email or phone of the status of the application. Cheques are issued payable to the applicant and sent to the applicant's mailing address. Please allow four weeks from the date that you receive the notification for your cheque to arrive.

# Natural Child Bursary Application Form

Date of application: \_\_\_\_\_

First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth (mm/dd/yy): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent/s: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the most recent level of education you have completed?

Grade 12

Program Certificate

College Diploma

University Degree

What is the name of the vocational, trade, or academic program you will attend, or are currently attending?

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Please provide the name of the institution and campus location: \_\_\_\_\_

A letter of confirmation from the educational institution where you have been accepted should be included at the time of application; however, it may be sent separately if it is not available at the time of application.

How will this bursary help you to achieve your career plan and future goals?

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## Applicant authorization

The information that I provided for this application is true, accurate, and complete.

I authorize BC Foster Parents Association to distribute this application to the Selection Committee for review.

**Note: BC Foster Parents Association respects your privacy. All information collected will be used by BCFPA only, in accordance with our Privacy Policy. For details, please contact our privacy officer at 1-800-663-9999.**