

BC Foster Parents Association

The Ames Family Foundation Bursary Application

The Ames Family Foundation Bursary is a low-barrier bursary designed to provide financial resources to youth from government care who are pursuing post-secondary education. We encourage diverse and equity-deserving individuals to apply, specifically those who are Indigenous, racialized, 2SLGBTQ+ identified, persons of all abilities, and the intersections of these identities. Bursaries will be awarded based on need, individual circumstance, and academic and career goals.

Who Can Apply

- You are a former youth in care either under a continuing custody order (CCO) or temporary custody order (TCO, Voluntary Care Agreement or Special Care Agreement) or Youth Agreement in BC under the Child, Family and Community Services Act.
- You are 19 years of age or over by the application deadline date.
- You are currently a resident of BC.
- You are currently enrolled or planning to enroll in a post-secondary program at an accredited BC institution.
- You may still apply if you are receiving other bursaries, grants, scholarships, and/or other financial aid.

Application Requirements

- A letter of confirmation verifying your enrollment in a program at an accredited BC institution.
- Two reference letters, each from a significant individual in your life (eg. teacher, social worker, foster parent, or close friend). One of the letters must be written by a non-family member.

When to Apply

Applications will be accepted in May of each year.

Amount of Bursary

Two bursaries of \$5,000 will be distributed.

How to Submit Your Application

Submit form to BC Foster Parents Association

Mail: **208 - 20641 Logan Ave, Langley, BC V3A 7R3**

Email: **office@bcfosterparents.ca**

Fax: **604-544-2223**

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.

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First Name	Last Name	Date
Phone Number	Email Address	
Street Address	City	Postal Code
Date of Birth	What year did you enter government care?	
What is the most recent level of education you have completed? Please select		
<input type="radio"/> Grade 12 <input type="radio"/> Program Certificate <input type="radio"/> College Diploma <input type="radio"/> University Degree		
What is the name of the program you will attend, or are currently attending?		
What is the length of the program?	Is this a full-time or part-time program? Please select	
	<input type="radio"/> Full-time <input type="radio"/> Part-time	
Please provide the name of the institution and campus location		
What barriers impact your ability to complete post-secondary education?		

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

Applicant Authorization

- The information that I have provided for this application is true, accurate, and complete.
- I authorize BC Foster Parents Association (BCFPA) to distribute this application to the Selection Committee for review.

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.

Please note that BC Foster Parents Association (BCFPA) 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**

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