



Scholarship

The Greater Toronto Apartment Association (GTAA) represents the owners and property managers of more than 150,000 units in purpose-built rental buildings across the GTA. In 2005, we created the GTAA Charitable Foundation (CRA Registered Charity # 866442494 RR0001). To date, the GTAA and our Charitable Foundation have donated \$2,000,000 to local organizations that help those who require assistance.

The GTAA and our Charitable Foundation are proud to offer our 9th annual scholarship. Four winners will be selected in August 2023.

GTAA Members recognize the commitment of young people involved in local initiatives that work towards building safe, healthy and enriching communities. GTAA has created a scholarship to help four young residents wishing to further their educations.

Four recipients will each receive a **\$4,000** scholarship to cover tuition fees for their first year of post-secondary education or training at a recognized **university** or **college** or **trade school** or **apprenticeship program**.

Completed applications are DUE before 3 PM on July 12, 2023



Scholarship Program

Eligibility:

High school students and/or recent high school graduates who are involved in their local communities AND able to answer “YES” to ALL the following criteria:

- Reside in a GTAA Member building. Note that participating GTAA Members have announced this scholarship in their buildings and have indicated their participation in these scholarships. If you are unsure, please check with the property management office.
- Canadian citizen or permanent resident?
- 25 years old or younger as of June 30, 2023?
- Entering into your first year of post-secondary education or training in a recognized Canadian post-secondary educational or training program in the upcoming academic year?
- Able to demonstrate a need for financial assistance?

How are winners chosen?

The [GTAA Scholarship Selection Committee](#) will evaluate the applications. This committee places a high value on community involvement, academic achievement, volunteer work and work experience (including efforts to secure summer employment) as part of financing the applicant's post-secondary education (please include details regarding other scholarships, bursaries, etc).

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Application Form

Personal Information

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Date of Birth (YYYY/MM/DD): _____ / _____ / _____

Address (Number, Street Name): _____

Unit Number: _____ City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____

Name of High School: _____

Address of High School: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Graduation Year and Month: _____

Name of recognized Canadian post-secondary educational or training institute
you will attend in the upcoming academic year:

Program of Study: _____

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References

Two reference letters are required. Please have each of your references provide a letter (maximum 2 pages) which outlines your involvement in local community initiatives and speaks to your likelihood of success in your chosen post-secondary career. Also include their relationship to you (ie, teacher, employer, coach, etc), their telephone and email address.

Academic Transcript

Please provide a copy of your official academic transcript OR Grade 12 Report Card.

Résumé

Please provide a copy of your résumé.

Biography / Essay

Provide a brief (approx. 2 pages) biography and provide the following details:

1. How were you involved in your high school?
2. What community projects/initiatives/issues you have been involved with?
3. Which people or events have inspired you?
4. What is your involvement with building healthy communities, including your leadership roles and any volunteer work you have been involved in?
5. Where do you plan on attending post-secondary? What do you plan on studying/training for? What are your future goals?
6. Any other information you wish to share.

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Budget

Provide a **proposed budget** for the upcoming academic year outlining your expected sources of income (e.g. student loans, earned income, family contribution, etc.) and your projected expenses.

Sample Budget:

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenses</u>	
P/T or Summer Job	\$2,000	Tuition	\$8,000
Family contribution	\$1,000	Books	\$1,000
Student loans	\$2,000	Accommodation	\$9,000
Other (scholarship/grant/etc)	\$1,500		
TOTAL	\$5,000	TOTAL	\$18,000

Financial Statement

Please submit **up to one-page essay outlining your financial need, your plans for securing funds** to pay for your post-secondary program, and **how this scholarship** would address that need.

Certification

Complete and sign the Certification Form provided on the next page, and include it (scan if submitted electronically, or printed if delivered in hard copy).

Additional supporting materials (OPTIONAL)

You may attach additional relevant visuals and supporting documentation including but not limited to newspaper clippings, letters of support, samples of work and relevant audio or video recordings.

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Certification Form

Please read and make sure that you understand and agree to the following:

I certify that the submitted information is accurate and complete and understand that any false or incomplete information may invalidate my application.

I accept that scholarship decisions may only be made by the Greater Toronto Apartment Association Scholarship Program Selection Committee, and are final.

I understand that scholarship funds will only be granted to me when:

- *I submit all the documents included in the “Scholarship Claim Package” AND;*
- *Attend any required orientation sessions AND;*
- *Present proof of enrolment in a recognized Canadian post-secondary educational program for the upcoming academic year.*

I agree to the public release of my name and photograph should I be awarded a scholarship.

I understand that requests for scholarship deferrals will not be granted, and that scholarships will be held no later than January 2024.

Signature of applicant

Date

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Checklist

Please review this checklist carefully to ensure that a **complete package** is submitted. ***Incomplete packages will NOT be considered.***

The following materials are required to complete the application form:

1. Completed and signed Application Form
2. Two reference letters
3. Academic Transcript (scan/photocopy accepted)
4. Résumé
5. Brief Biography / Essay
6. Budget
7. Financial Statement
8. Completed and signed Certification Form
9. Additional supporting materials (OPTIONAL)

Application Deadline

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Application Submission

Review the following options and carefully plan in advance how you will submit your application before the deadline.

Completed applications may be submitted via:

- Email: info@gtaaonline.com
 - Include your **full name** and “**Scholarship 2023**” in the subject line
 - Multiple clearly labelled attached files are acceptable – please include a list of your attachments
 - If necessary, clearly indicate that your submission is being sent in batches (ie, email #1 of 3; #2 of 3; #3 of 3).
- Printed:
 - Sealed envelope

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- In some cases, printed applications may be submitted to your property management office for forwarding to the GTAA office. Please check in advance with your property manager to see if this option is available.
- In person drop-off is only available by advance arrangement. Contact us (info@gtaaonline.com) by July 4, 2023 to arrange/confirm details.

If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact us: info@gtaaonline.com or 416.385.3435 X37

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