APPLICATION TO BURSARY FUNDS
ADMINISTERED BY
THE BRITISH COLUMBIA PARAPLEGIC FOUNDATION

Application Deadline: November 15, 2024

Section A. APPLICATION PROCESS

ELIGIBILITY:

Bursaries administered by the BC Paraplegic Foundation are available to students who have a spinal cord injury. Bursaries are awarded on merit. Recipients must be Canadian citizens or landed immigrants, residents of BC and must be attending, or planning to attend, a post-secondary recognized educational institution in BC. Applicants who do not plan to attend facilities in BC must submit an explanatory letter. Under exceptional circumstances, the BCPF Bursary Committee may approve an award to a student in an out of Province or a non-Canadian educational facility.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION:

Applicants must complete Section B of this application form in its entirety and submit to the address provided. The deadline for receipt of applications is November 15, 2024. Awards are allocated only once per year for the school year starting in September.

NOTIFICATION & PAYMENT:

Both successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified in writing of the committee's decision by December 15th. No notification will be sent to those who submit incomplete applications. A cheque in the full amount of the bursary will be awarded to each successful applicant prior to January 15th. Students are expected to forward proof of registration to the BCPF Bursary Committee within 30 days along with receipt of funds.

CONDITIONS:

It must be clearly understood that students selected as eligible for these bursaries shall comply with all the conditions and requirements of the program as outlined by the education facility. Students are expected to complete the school year or program of study.

The BCPF Bursary Committee may revise these terms and conditions at any time.

RIGHT OF WITHDRAWAL:

The BCPF Bursary Committee reserves the right to cancel any award before payment has been made or to take recovery action on contribution already made where the candidate has failed to meet the conditions as set out above. Failure to enroll will automatically nullify application of the bursary. Forced or elective resignations from school will terminate eligibility for the award, and recovery of any monies may be instituted.

SPECIFIC BURSARY DETAILS:

The BCPF Bursary Committee makes recommendations regarding the disbursement of funds from a variety of funds as outlined below. By submitting an application form, applicants are automatically considered for all bursaries.

· BC Paraplegic Foundation Bursaries:

BCPF Bursaries. These awards are given to students with a spinal cord injury to encourage them to complete their education or vocational goals. These bursaries are awarded on merit. The value of individual bursaries may vary from year to year according to the availability of funds.

· Awards held in trust at the University of BC:

CW. Deans Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is available to a student with a spinal cord injury continuing studies at any university in BC. Preference will be given to a student beginning or continuing his/her studies in engineering.

Joseph David Hall Memorial Scholarship. One or more scholarships will be awarded annually to students beginning or continuing studies in a full course leading to a degree in any field at the University of British Columbia. First preference will be given to candidates nominated by the BC Paraplegic Foundation.

· Awards held in trust at the Vancouver Foundation:

James H.G. Roche Memorial Fund. This award is given to students with a spinal cord injury to encourage them to complete their education or vocational goals. These bursaries are awarded on merit. The value of individual bursaries may vary from year to year according to the availability of funds.

Section B. APPLICATION FORM

This form must be completed and submitted with the required additional information as outlined below no later than **November 15, 2024** to:

British Columbia Paraplegic Foundation Bursary Committee
780 S.W. Marine Drive
Vancouver, BC
V6P 5Y7

MANDATORY CRITERIA:

Applicants must:

- Be a Canadian citizen/landed immigrant and a resident of BC, AND
- Be attending (or planning to attend) a post secondary educational institution in BC, AND
- Have a spinal cord injury.

PART ONE - PERSONAL INFORMATION:

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Middle Initial _____

Social Insurance _____ *(required for tax purposes)*

Street Address _____

City _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____

Telephone _____ E-mail Address _____

Date of Birth _____

Are you a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident? ○ Yes ○ No

PART TWO - DISABILITY INFORMATION:

Please describe how your spinal cord injury affects your daily routine and activities

PART THREE - EDUCATION HISTORY:

(including high school)

TYPE OF INSTITUTION	HIGHEST LEVEL COMPLETED	COURSE OF STUDY/ MAJOR/TRADE	CERTIFICATE, DIPLOMA, TRADE PAPERS	NAME & LOCATION OF INSTITUTE/ SCHOOL	DATE COMPLETED

CURRENT EDUCATIONAL PLANS:

Name of Institution (recognized university, college, technical institute etc.) you are planning to attend this year:

Student #:

Course of Study:

Current Level or Year of Study:

Are you attending ○ Full-time ○ Part-time

Starting Date: Anticipated Completion Date:

PART FOUR - MERIT:

1. Why do you believe you merit a BCPF Bursary?

2. List any other scholarships, bursaries or other funding sources for your education:

PART FIVE - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

To be considered complete, this application must be accompanied by a letter of reference from an employer or educator. The applicant must also arrange for an office transcript to be mailed to:

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Incomplete applications will not be considered; please write N/A if a question is not applicable

In signing this application, the applicant:

a. Recognizes that personal information submitted on this form is voluntary and hereby authorizes the release of such information for scrutiny by individuals at the Canadian Paraplegic Association (BC), Spinal Cord Injury Organization of BC and/or BC Paraplegic Foundation as a necessary step in processing this application, including medical verification of disability if deemed necessary; AND

b. Confirms that to the best of their knowledge, the information provided on this application package is correct and authorizes CPA(BC), SCIBC and/or BCPF to verify the information as required, AND

c. Understands that false or incomplete information will result in automatic disqualification of his/her application, AND

d. Agrees to the publication of their name. photograph and award particulars in the Canadian Paraplegic Association (BC), Spinal Cord Injury Organization of BC and/or BC Paraplegic Foundation publications.

☐ In checking here, I verify that all information provided is correct and complete. Date