



**ISFELD FINANCIAL AID
AND
LOCAL BURSARIES &
SCHOLARSHIPS
2023**

IMPORTANT DATES:

February 8

Booklet Available Online at Noon

**February 8
February 10**

**Bursary Information Session During TA
Bursary Information sign up session during Flex**

March 10

**Bursary Application Deadline 3:15 p.m.
(No late applications accepted)**

May 18

**Bursary Recognition Ceremony
MPR 6:30**

Booklet available to view on the website

<https://isfeld.comoxvalleyschools.ca/>

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BURSARY APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. READ THROUGH YOUR BURSARY BOOKLET COMPLETELY.

2. PREPARE AND APPLY EARLY.

- Attend one information and preparation session.
- Be organized - gather and copy all documents on good quality paper. (The school will **not** do any photocopying for students.)
- Be realistic and read the fine print – check that you meet the criteria for the application. Follow the instructions carefully and accurately. If an award is restricted, include detailed and precise information that identifies your eligibility for the award.

3. COMPLETE EACH INDIVIDUAL APPLICATION THOROUGHLY AND NEATLY.

The application package is your opportunity to impress the Bursary Committees. The care you have taken in preparing your package with respect to spelling, organization, and details often has a great deal to do with their decision. It is well worth taking time and care in preparing and proofreading your application.

Remember: False information may result in disqualification.

4. HAND IN COMPLETED PACKAGES

- Deadline for receipt of **ALL** application packages is **Friday March 10, 2023 at 3:00 pm.** Return the completed packages to Ms. Buckle or Ms. Williams in Student Services.
- Staple all pages together-**do not use paper clips or put into an envelope**
- **NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED**

BURSARY AND SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE:

1. APPLICATION FORM

Group 1 Bursary - **Fill out only ONE Group 1 application form**

(Chosen by Mark Isfeld Bursary Committee)

Group 2 Bursaries - **Fill out a separate application form for EACH Group 2 Bursary.**

(Chosen by Donating Group)

Group 3 Bursaries - **Apply online or via email directly to donor.**

(Chosen by Donating Group)

Note: Some bursaries require special application forms as noted in the booklet-they are available in Student Services or online at the site provided.

2. Letter of Introduction

In less than five paragraphs, try to:

- a) Introduce yourself-assume a stranger will be reading your application.
- b) Explain your post-secondary educational plans, the institution you plan to attend, and your ultimate career goals.
- c) Outline your school achievements, personal interests, community involvements, and details of volunteer opportunities in the last 3-4 years.
- d) Detail any special circumstances-medical conditions, single parent family, are you taking a gap year.
- e) Thank the Award Committee members for considering your application.

3. Letters of Reference

Include one or two letters of reference from an adult (i.e., coach, community sponsor, or employer). Each letter should outline the tasks for which you were responsible and comment on your qualities, abilities, and tasks you performed for that organization. Allow enough time for your reference to complete the letter.

Teachers may be listed as references on your resume but will not provide letters of reference. Reference letters must come from an adult (cannot be a relative) who knows you outside the classroom or school setting.

4. **Current Grades** – Please see your school counsellor. Request must be submitted by Monday Feb 13, 2023.

FINANCIAL AID

There are three main sources in financial aid for students:

1. SCHOLARSHIPS

Awarded on the basis of academic excellence, community involvement, affiliation, etc.
Advertised via announcements, school website, and on the display board outside of the office.
Also check www.bcscholarships.ca and www.scholarshipscanada.com

2. BURSARIES

Awarded based on student **financial need** and other requirements as specified.

STUDENT LOANS

Check websites for current updates at www.studentaidbc.ca

Once you have a plan in place for your education, you can start applying to post-secondary institutions. The process of applying differs depending on whether the institutions you are applying to are public or private, and where they are located. If you are planning to take out student loans, ensure that school is designated for that purpose.

A basic principle of the program is that the main responsibility for the cost of post-secondary education rests with the student and immediate family (their parents, stepparents, sponsor, legal guardian, or spouse).

If you are a BC Resident when you apply for student financial assistance in BC, you automatically apply on the same application for both CANADA STUDENT LOAN and BRITISH COLUMBIA STUDENT LOAN.

BC GOVERNMENT GRANTS

When you apply for student aid, you will automatically be considered for a non-repayable BC Government Grant for years two, three, and four if:

- you are in your first 136 weeks of post-secondary study, and
- you are studying at a designated BC public or private post-secondary school.

PUBLIC GUARDIAN & TRUSTEE EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE FUND

<http://www.trustee.bc.ca/services/estate-and-personal-trust-services/Pages/pgt-educational-assistance-fund.aspx>

To be eligible, an applicant must be a former permanent ward of the Province of British Columbia and planning to study at a post-secondary level in an academic, technical, or vocational program between September 2023-August 2024.

The deadline to submit completed applications to the Public Guardian and Trustee is April 2023.

HOW MUCH MONEY CAN I BORROW?

The Student Services Branch of the Ministry of Advanced Education will review the costs and income on your application form to determine how much assistance you are eligible to receive. There is a limit to the amount of assistance you may receive each year.

Application packages are available online at www.studentaidbc.ca

- A. Financial Aid Offices at all BC public post-secondary schools are available to assist you with the application.

Apply early-it may take up to six weeks to process your application.

?? QUESTIONS ??

Ask a Counsellor or Administrator. They will be happy to assist you.

WEBSITES

www.bcscholarships.ca

www.studentscholarships.org

www.studentaidbc.ca

www.scholarshipscanada.com

SCHOLARSHIPS

A. GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S BRONZE ACADEMIC MEDAL

Commencing in 1984, a Bronze Academic Medal, authorized by the Governor-General, will be awarded to the student with the highest academic standing in the Mark R. Isfeld graduating class.

B. BC ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP

The [BC Achievement scholarships](#) recognize the top 8,000 graduates in the province. The Ministry will determine recipients based on achievement in Grades 10, 11, and 12 courses that satisfy [BC Graduation Program](#) requirements, including elective courses. Grad Transitions will not be included.

A cumulative average percentage will be calculated and form the basis for determining winners, who receive a \$1,250 scholarship voucher to use towards their post-secondary tuition.

Students do not apply for this scholarship

C. BC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP

The [BC Excellence scholarship](#) is awarded to 55 well-rounded high school graduates who have demonstrated service and leadership, both at school and in their communities, and who show aptitude for and commitment to their chosen career paths.

Recipients receive a \$5000 scholarship voucher that they can redeem with the Ministry of Education after they are attending a [designated post-secondary institution](#) or BC [authorized trades training provider](#).

Students have five years to [redeem](#) their BC Excellence Scholarship vouchers; and expiry is printed on each voucher and extensions are not possible.

D. PATHWAY TO TEACHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

The [online](#) application form for the 2023/2024 school year is now available.

The Pathway to Teacher Education Scholarship is awarded to 20 outstanding high school graduates who have demonstrated a commitment and aptitude for a career path in K-12 teaching. Winners receive a \$5000 scholarship voucher to redeem when they are registered and attending an approved K-12 teacher education program at one of BC's nine faculties of Education.

E. DOGWOOD DISTRICT/AUTHORITY AWARDS

District scholarships are awarded to graduating students who have excelled in fields other than academics such as Fine Arts, Applied Skills, Physical Activity, Second Languages, Community Service, and Technical and Trades Training. Students who are awarded a district scholarship, will receive a \$1250 voucher to use towards their post-secondary tuition. Candidates will be generated by teacher recommendations and student applications. They will be awarded in fall of 2023.

F. SECONDARY SCHOOL APPRENTICESHIP SCHOLARSHIPS

Students registered for the secondary school apprenticeship program may apply for this award within one year of graduation. For complete eligibility requirements see:

www.bced.gov.bc.ca/careers/ssa/application

COSTS

The following is an approximate break down of the cost of ONE year at the University of Victoria (eight months) for the 2021/2022 school year (*please remember totals are approximate):

Tuition (Arts or Science)	\$5,810.00
Books & Supplies	\$1,700.00
Student fees (includes bus pass)	\$850.00
Residence on Campus w/ standard meal plan	\$11,424.00 +
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>\$19,784.00*</u>

This DOES NOT include entertainment, clothing, toiletries, parking, or trips home so students and parents can expect the annual cost to be higher than that quoted above.

GROUP ONE BURSARIES

Successful candidates chosen by the École Mark R. Isfeld Bursary Committee

***The École Mark R. Isfeld Bursary Committee makes their decisions without knowledge of Group 2 bursary recipients. The goal of the committee is to provide financial support to as many students as possible. ***

1.1 ARTHUR & PHYLLIS RAMSELL BURSARY

This bursary is provided from a fund established by Arthur & Phyllis Ramsell and administered by the Comox Valley Community Foundation. The recipient must be pursuing a career in the field of Health Care in a program within a college, university or school that is either a registered charity or qualified donee and is identified as such by the Canada Revenue Agency. The Ramsell's are interested in supporting higher education firstly in the area of Nursing, and secondary in General Health Care.

\$875.00

1.2 BEECHER DEVELOPMENT LTD. (ACADEMIC & VOCATIONAL)

These bursaries are provided from a fund established by Beecher Development Ltd. and administered by the Comox Valley Community Foundation. Two bursaries are offered to deserving students whose ordinary residence is in the Comox Valley School District and who fulfil one of the following criteria:

1. A student who is pursuing an academically orientated course of post-secondary study
2. A student who is pursuing a trades course of post-secondary study

The successful candidate's college, university, or school of choice must be either a registered charity or qualified donee and identified as such by the Canada Revenue Agency.

Please note, financial needs will also be a consideration

\$1,725.00 X2

1.3 BRYAN MORGAN ENDOWMENT FUND

This bursary was established by friends, colleagues, and former students of Bryan Morgan, a long-time teacher and administrator in the school district, who retired in 2006. It will be presented to a graduating student who:

1. Intends to pursue post-secondary education.
2. Demonstrates exceptional service to others in the school, community, or beyond.

\$500.00

1.4 CITY OF COURTENAY BURSARY

The City of Courtenay recognizes that the Youth of the Comox Valley have immense potential, and those who put forth efforts to make the Comox Valley a better place, need to be encouraged, recognized, and celebrated. By providing a bursary fund, the City intends to encourage community involvement and assist young people in their pursuit of further education including lifestyle development training. Bursaries are for graduating students in grade 12 attending one of the following schools: Nala’atsi Alternate School, Glacier View Secondary, École Mark R. Isfeld Secondary, George P. Vanier Secondary and Navigate (NIDES). Students should demonstrate community involvement, volunteerism, successful academic standing, and positive work habits.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Must be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident.
2. Must not have previously received a bursary from the City of Courtenay Bursary Program.
3. Must be a City of Courtenay resident.
4. Must be a student of one of the schools listed above.
5. Community involvement, volunteerism, participation in extra-curricular activities (i.e. athletics, drama, special interest clubs, successful academic standing and positive work habits).
6. Students who demonstrate a financial need will be given priority.
7. The student is to be awarded based on the previous year’s achievements, contingent on continued positive involvement in the community and citizenship.

Money will be paid out upon proof of registration to an accredited post-secondary institution. Recipients will have 15 months after completion of grade 12 to claim the bursary.

**This bursary is subject to City of Courtenay Council approval of funding for this program for 2023

\$1,000.00

1.5 COMOX VALLEY MONARCH LIONS’ CLUB BURSARY

This bursary will be given to a graduating student who is proceeding on to a trades or technical vocation. In keeping with the Lions International Motto “We Serve”, the successful student must exhibit exemplary citizenship and public/community service. Enrollment at a recognized post-secondary institution within one year of awarding the bursary must be proven to receive it. To claim your bursary, a copy of your paid registration must be presented to the Bursary Chair, either by email attachment or mailed.

\$1,000.00 x 2

1.6 COMOX VALLEY PRINCIPALS & VICE-PRINCIPALS ASSOCIATION BURSARY

The Comox Valley Principals & Vice-Principals Association is pleased to offer two bursaries of \$750 each to École Mark R. Isfeld graduates. These bursaries will be awarded to students

proceeding to college, university, or vocational institute. Of the two bursaries one will be awarded for academics one will be awarded for vocational/athletics.

The eligible student:

1. Must be proceeding to an approved post-secondary institution.
2. Must have made a contribution of service to the school or community at large.
3. Proof of registration must be submitted by October 30, 2023.

\$750.00 x 2

1.7 COMOX VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT BURSARY

The Comox Valley Regional District would like to encourage and support educational pursuits in the area of water services, wastewater services, and environmental studies.

Eligibility: \$1000 award is available to Mark R. Isfeld Secondary School provided by Baynes Sounds-Denman/Hornby Islands (Area A) of the Comox Valley Regional District.

Application process and criteria:

1. Proof of registration and attendance at a relevant Canadian accredited post-secondary institution in one of the following programs:
 - a. Environmental Operators Certification Program training
 - b. Environmental Engineering
 - c. Environmental Sciences
2. Involvement in extra-curricular activities.
3. Letter of introduction as stipulated by the respective school's award application process.
4. Two letters of reference from a non-relative.

\$1,000.00

1.8 COMOX VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT BURSARY

The Comox Valley School District offers a bursary to a student who is pursuing a full-time program of studies at a post-secondary or skills training institution. Criteria will include academic standing, financial need, and demonstration of service to the school or community at large.

\$1000.00

1.9 COURTENAY ELKS BPOE #60 BURSARY

The Courtenay Elks is pleased to offer an award to a graduating student who enrolls in a full course of studies in a post-secondary institution. Guidelines for selection are **firstly financial need** and further qualified by:

- a. School achievement.
- b. Citizenship and involvement in school and / or community activities.

\$1,000.00

1.10 DEUX LANGUES DEUX MONDES BURSARY

This bursary is available to support the post-secondary journey of a French Immersion student at School District No. 71, whose normal residence is the Comox Valley. Among eligible candidates, preference will be given to those pursuing a pathway to becoming a French Immersion teacher. The Deux Langues Deux Mondes Bursary Fund, held at the Comox Valley Community Foundation (CVCF), was generously established by Ms. Verena Bryner, who pioneered the Comox Valley's first-ever French Immersion program. For all graduates, she shares that second-language learning is "a wonderful gift you have given yourself that will open so many doors, not just in the teaching profession, but in countless unexpected ways throughout your lifetime." Successful candidates must provide (CVCF) proof of admission to an eligible post-secondary institution, which is either a registered charity or qualified donee registered with the Canada Revenue Agency. This bursary may be deferred for up to one year.

\$1,000.00

1.11 DOLORES WOODIE BURSARY

This bursary is to support a Comox Valley student pursuing post-secondary studies at a public university or college of their choice. *The successful candidate's college, university, or school of choice must be either a registered charity or qualified donee with the Canada Revenue Agency*

\$950.00

1.12 EMILY JENKINS MEMORIAL BURSARY

This bursary was set up to honour the memory of Emily Jenkins, a very special young lady we lost far too soon. Emily brought sunshine and smiles to the lives of so many. She is greatly missed by her family, friends, classmates, and community. This bursary was created with the hope that Emily's positive attitude and kind, empathetic nature will continue to inspire future generations of Mark R. Isfeld Secondary students to bring more joy to the world! Successful applicants should meet at least two of the following criteria, ideal applicants would meet all of the criteria. This award can be deferred for a year if no graduating students meet these criteria.

1. Financial need
2. Is a sibling of a student with special need
3. Is planning on studying special education at College or University
4. Embodies Emily's spirit – kindness, empathy, positivity, humour, and spunk!

\$1000.00

1.13 FILBERG HERITAGE LODGE AND PARK ASSOCIATION BURSARY

This award is to be presented to a graduating student entering studies at a British Columbia College or University in the field of history and / or heritage. This award is made possible by the generosity of our volunteers. A cheque will be issued to the recipient by us once we have received verification of enrollment in a post-secondary institution.

\$500.00

1.14 HAROLD WALKER HEMSWORTH MEMORIAL BURSARY

These bursaries are provided by the estate of the late Harold W. Hemsworth.

Harold, together with his parents, George, and Elsie Gwen Hemsworth, moved to Royston in 1937. He attended Royston Elementary School and completed his education at Courtenay High School. Harold's main interests were music and hiking. He played the piano and saxophone and had a dance band in his early years. Harold hiked all of the trails in the surrounding area. Harold had an interest in automotive mechanics and drove a district school bus for a number of years, as well as a public transportation bus. Later, he worked as a service station attendant at Anchor Garage and then as a store clerk until retirement. He was a lifelong learner and had an extensive library of books and music. He loved to quiz his family and friends about important dates in history.

The bursary will be offered to GP Vanier, École Mark Isfeld, and Highland Secondary each year and will be awarded by the school's Bursary Committee to a deserving student that has been accepted into a college or university.

\$1,000.00

1.15 JEAN KOTCHER LEADERSHIP BURSARY

Jean Kotcher, who died in 2008, was an inspiring and nurturing teacher who taught in the Comox Valley for many years. She served as President of the Comox District Teachers' Association for six years; and as a skilled mediator for the British Columbia Teacher's Federation Internal Mediation Services, Ms. Kotcher travelled around BC to help teachers mediate and resolve issues. Jean led by example, showing students, colleagues, and friends how to live in the world with openness and curiosity. She approached social justice issues with respect for the individual and for due process and encouraged others to do the same.

This Bursary is awarded to a student from the graduating class who has shown exceptional commitment to leadership* and active participation in school and/or community service. The School's Bursary Committee will select the recipient based on demonstrated leadership, post-secondary plans, and academic achievement.

*Leadership in student council or social justice issues within the school and/or within related community organizations or clubs are to be considered in the selection of the recipient.

\$500.00

1.16 KIWANIS CLUB OF COURTENAY BURSARY

The Kiwanis Club of Courtenay is pleased to offer an award to a graduate of École Mark R. Isfeld Secondary. The applicant must show academic promise, demonstrating financial need, and with a proven record of community/school service.

\$2,000.00 (subject to budget)

1.17 ÉCOLE MARK R. ISFELD INTERACT BURSARY

This award is provided by the École Mark R. Isfeld Interact Club. It will be available to a grade 12 student who meets the following criteria.

1. Proceeding to post-secondary education.
2. Has demonstrated service to school and / or community.
3. Has some involvement in extracurricular activities (could include jobs, sports teams, youth groups, etc).

This award can be deferred for one year. Proof of registration at a post-secondary institution must be submitted to École Mark R. Isfeld Secondary School by Thursday, October 29, 2022.

\$500.00

1.18 MOE ADACHI MEMORIAL BURSARY

This \$1000 Bursary is established in memory of Moe Adachi, a 2020 École Mark R. Isfeld graduate, to support and encourage the continuation of her legacy of leadership, service, handwork, and kindness.

As well as being an accomplished academic and athlete, Moe's service to others while at Isfeld was extensive and inspiring. On top of her countless hours spent volunteering as a scorekeeper and referee at athletic events, she was a key member of Interact club for all 5 years of high school, captain of the Rugby team, a Peer Leader and a Peer Tutor in her senior years, as well as a coach for the junior volleyball team. In Moe's own words: "What I am most proud of is my genuine desire to help others".

The recipient of this memorial bursary will be a graduating student at École Mark R. Isfeld that demonstrates leadership, is in good academic standing and puts hard work into their passion areas and service to others; someone who genuinely cares about the well-being and success of others. We are very proud to support a young person in the continuation of Moe's legacy and their goals of making the world a better place.

\$1000.00

1.19 NORTH ISLAND COLLEGE FOUNDATION BURSARY

An award in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to a École Mark R. Isfeld Secondary student who is entering North Island College (on a full-time basis) in the present year. The recipient must be enrolling in college or university level courses. The successful student will have maintained a minimum C+ average in their Grade 12 year. Students should be evaluated partially

on the basis of financial need. In lieu of an award cheque, a letter will be issued to the student at their school awards ceremony. Payment will be made to North Island College and applied to the student's tuition fees when they enroll at the college.

\$1000.00

1.20 PUNTLEDGE PARK ALUMNI ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP BURSARY

This bursary will be awarded to a student who attended École Puntledge Park elementary and who demonstrates a keen understanding of environmental issues. Ideally the recipient will have showcased their commitment to environmental issues by initiating or participating in environmental clubs of outdoor programs within the school and / or the community.

\$500.00

1.21 ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #211 – BOWSER BURSARY

This award is open to graduating students of École Mark R. Isfeld Secondary who:

1. reside in the Qualicum Bay, Bowser, Deep Bay, Fanny Bay, Union Bay, Denman Island, and Hornby Island areas, and
2. whose parents or grandparents (natural or legal) meet one of the following guidelines:
 - (a) War veteran or member of the armed forces, or
 - (b) active member of Canadian Legion #211-Bowser.

Applications will be judged on the basis of scholastic ability as determined by the school staff, financial need, qualities of leadership in the school and community, and qualities which indicate special achievement or promise. The candidates must be proceeding to a Canadian university, BCIT, a registered school of nursing, a regional college, or a vocational school. Mark R. Isfeld Secondary will inform Bowser Legion of the name of the selected recipient and the award will be forwarded to the secondary school for delivery to the recipient.

This bursary must be utilized by December of the next year following graduation. Should there be no candidates that meet the geographical qualification, we leave it open to the discretion of the school. Our object in this endeavor is to help the graduating generation to the best of our ability to carry on a high standard of citizenship. The remaining qualifications stand.

\$800.00

1.22 ROYAL LEPAGE IN THE COMOX VALLEY BURSARY

Royal LePage in the Comox Valley is pleased to award a graduating grade 12 student pursuing post-secondary studies with this bursary. This award is made possible by the generosity of Realtors at Royal LePage.

\$250.00

1.23 SANDRA WEAMES 2SLGBTQ+

The student must be graduating from Grade 12 and be enrolled in a post-secondary diploma or degree programme.

Students can apply by writing a one-page essay that highlights their achievements and future endeavours in their support of the 2SLGBTQ+ community and describing some of their personal experiences, specific projects, or initiatives that supported the 2SLGBTQ+ in their school.

Students can also take this opportunity to express why they are passionate about their post-secondary studies and what they hope to accomplish when they finish their education. They should also articulate how they will continue to advocate for the 2SLGBTQ2+ community. They are encouraged to share what has motivated them to be an advocate for change and why they should be selected as the recipient of this scholarship.

They should include two references from their school personnel who have observed their involvement and support their application. They should provide their contact information.

\$200.00

1.24 TRIPLE S BURSARY GLENDA & PAUL WILSON

The Triple S (Scholarship, Service, and Sport) Bursary has been established by Glenda Wilson, nee Ash, Courtenay High grad 1960, and Paul Wilson, Cumberland High grad 1959, in gratitude to the School District for the positive schooling memories and accomplishments of themselves and their children, Michelle, Vanier grad 1982 and Jim, Vanier grad 1987. Michelle received the Triple S award given by Courtenay Junior High School in 1980 while Jim received the Courtenay Junior High School Academic award in 1985. Michelle served the community as a member of the Girl Guides while Jim learned sign language in grade 4 at Puntledge Park elementary which was a major factor in the formation of Jim's compassionate nature. He later volunteered to assist people suffering from schizophrenia. Michelle was an accomplished badminton player while Jim excelled in ice hockey, track, and rugby.

The \$2,000 award is open to pupils finishing their secondary education and residing in SD71 who will be pursuing post-secondary education at an accredited institution. The bursary is to rotate among the secondary schools and home-schooled students that reside in SD71. The successful applicant must demonstrate proficiency in the three areas of scholarship, service, and sport.

\$2,000.00

1.25 VANCOUVER FOUNDATION BURSARIES

The Vancouver Foundation in conjunction with the Courtenay Rotary Club offers scholarships/bursaries to graduates of the Comox Valley. The selection criteria include academic achievements, character qualifications including leadership, community involvement, participation in extra-curricular activities, and vocational excellence. The bursaries must be used within 2 years following graduation.

\$3,000.00 x 2 (academic)
\$2,000.00 x 1 (vocational)

1.26 VANCOUVER ISLAND HEALTH AUTHORITY C.B. PARNHAM MEMORIAL

The Cumberland Health Centre offers a scholarship to Comox Valley graduates. The recipient must continue in a medical field of work.

\$250.00

1.27 VANCOUVER ISLAND REAL ESTATE BOARD BURSARY

The Vancouver Island Real Estate Board, on behalf of the members of the Comox Valley, offers a \$1000 bursary to each of the Comox Valley secondary schools. The bursary will go to successful graduating students planning on taking building trade related courses. The funds must be used in the following school year and not postponed for another period.

\$1,000.00

1.28 WILLIAM G LAMB MEMORIAL BURSARY

Bill Lamb was a long-time teacher at Vanier and one of Highland's original teachers. His teaching area was drama. The successful applicant will have demonstrated skills and leadership in the fields of theatre and/or the performing arts involving drama, stagecraft, or scriptwriting; a satisfactory educational standard; and a need for financial assistance.

\$250.00

GROUP ONE SCHOLARSHIPS

Successful candidates are chosen by École Mark R. Isfeld Bursary Committee

1.29 COMOX DISTRICT TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Teachers in School District 71 offer a scholarship for graduating students. There is one scholarship given to an Isfeld graduate with preference given to a student who intends to proceed into a Teacher Education Program.

The scholarship may be held for a student for up to one year if the student writes a letter requesting it to be held. Upon receiving the scholarship, the recipient shall fill in a questionnaire giving a brief description on how they will use the funds and include a grad photo to the CDTA for the CDTA newsletter. The graduating student shall then receive a cheque from the Association.

\$500.00

1.30 ÉCOLE MARK ISFELD MOST IMPROVED STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

The Most Improved Student Scholarship is awarded to an École Mark R. Isfeld graduate who will be entering their post-secondary studies in the fall and has showed tremendous personal growth during their time in high school. Student needs to be in good academic standing and be an active member of the school or Comox Valley community.

One \$1000 scholarship for a Grad 2022, one \$1000 scholarship for a Grad 2023.

1.31 ÉCOLE ROBB ROAD PAC SOCIETY CITIZENSHIP SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship has been established by the École Robb Road Elementary PAC in honour of students that exemplify the qualities of citizenship. This award is open to graduating students of Mark R. Isfeld who:

1. Are currently enrolled in the French Immersion program.
2. Plan to attend a post-secondary institution in any program area.
3. Demonstrate kindness and compassion to fellow students and help create a positive school culture.

\$500.00 x 2

GROUP TWO BURSARIES

Successful candidates are chosen by the donor organization

2.1 ADAM JOHN BRODIE MEMORIAL BURSARY

After graduation from G.P. Vanier Secondary School, Adam attended BCIT and specialized in Computer Control Systems. Employed by Spartan Controls he worked on many large projects as an automation specialist.

A bursary of \$1000 is open to any graduating Comox Valley School District student enrolling in post-secondary education in Computer Technology or computer Control fields.

In addition to the application, students should include a short paragraph describing their future plans in terms of program and anticipated educational institute. They should also include a budget and an outline of anticipated expenses as financial need will be a consideration.

\$1000.00

2.2 ANDERTON GARDENS THERAPEUTIC SOCIETY

This bursary is offered annually by The Anderton Therapeutic Garden Society. ATGS operates a two-acre garden originally developed by Joy and Bill Georgeson who aspired to create a space where people's physical, emotional, and mental wellbeing could be enhanced. The bursary is to be awarded to a graduating Grade 12 student who is pursuing a post-secondary education in the field of horticulture.

Guidelines for selection are FIRSTLY financial need, and further qualified by:

- a) school achievement, and
- b) volunteer involvement in school and/or community activities.

\$500.00

2.3 ANNE GIBBON MEMORIAL BURSARIES – (HOPE AFLOAT CANADA)

Hope Afloat Canada is a Comox Valley Dragon Boat team made up of people who have been diagnosed with breast cancer as well as women surviving all types of cancer. We believe that we can live full and active lives by participating in the sport of dragon boat racing. The Anne Gibbon Memorial Bursary (Hope Afloat Canada) in the amount of \$750 is offered to a student entering the field of Health Sciences at any accredited post-secondary Canadian institution in British Columbia in the next academic year. Criteria include:

1. Financial need.
2. Academic excellence.
3. Involvement in extracurricular activities.
4. Two reference letters.

Please complete the Anne Gibbon Memorial (Hope Afloat Canada) application form available on our website www.hopeafloatcanada.ca or pick one up in Student Services

\$750.00 x 2

2.4 ARTS FOR THE NEXT GENERATION BURSARY

This bursary is intended for a École Mark Isfeld student intent on pursuing a career in music education. Applicants must submit a short essay describing their passion to teach music and outlining their involvement in the arts. In the event no qualified music applicants come forward, the bursary will be considered for students pursuing a career in the education of the arts.

\$500.00

2.5 BAYNES SOUND LIONS' CLUB – IRENE FUDGE MEMORIAL BURSARY

This scholarship is offered by the Baynes Sound Lion's Club. The recipient will be a resident of Union Bay, Fanny Bay, Denman Island, or Hornby Island who is graduating from Mark R. Isfeld and will be proceeding to a post-secondary institution. Applicants will include a description of their long term educational or occupational goals as well as a history of their volunteerism in their community.

\$500.00

2.6 CEP CHINOOK LOCAL 630 BURSARY

CEP Chinook Local 630 represented the paper workers at Elk Falls Mill in Campbell River from 1952 until the mill closure in 2010. As a result of no longer having an active membership,

Chinook Local 630 has created a bursary fund for students going into any post-secondary or vocational education program. Commencing in June 2014, and continuing for 25 years, a bursary in the amount of \$1000 will be awarded to a graduating candidate who demonstrates financial need and successfully answers the following essay question:

“What does the labour movement mean to me?”

This bursary is open to any student graduating from School District No. 71. Preference will be given to qualified candidates that can prove a hereditary relationship to a former CEP Chinook Local 630 member.

Special application form required, available in Student Services

\$1,000.00

2.7 COMOX FIRE RESCUE – NORM PRATT BURSARY

The Comox Fire Department is pleased to offer a bursary to a Mark R. Isfeld Secondary graduating student.

\$500.00

2.8 C.V. CHILDREN’S DAYCARE SOCIETY – STUART FODEN MEMORIAL

The Comox Valley Children’s Daycare Society – Stuart Foden Memorial is a district wide bursary available for a graduating student for School District No. 71. The criteria for this bursary include:

1. The recipient will be entering the Early Childhood Care and Education program at North Island College full time in September 2023.
2. Evidence of need for financial assistance.

The person will be selected by a committee from the Comox Valley Children’s Daycare Society as this is a district wide award.

\$500.00

2.9 COMOX VALLEY FOLK SOCIETY – MUSICFEST BURSARY

The MusicFest Award has been created to assist graduating Comox Valley students who wish to continue their studies at a post-secondary institution in a field related to the performing arts both technical and performance or the entertainment industry (including film and video).

Criteria for the academic include:

- Proof of application or registration in a post-secondary arts program
- Community involvement in the arts and/or volunteer work with other community agencies
- Academic standing
- Evidence of need for financial assistance

\$500.00 X 3

2.10 COMOX VALLEY MULTICULTURAL SOCIETY BURSARY

The Comox Valley Multicultural Society is a non-profit volunteer-based organization that has been promoting multiculturalism in the Comox Valley for more than 20 years. The Intercultural Bursary will be given to 4 graduating students in the Comox Valley whose families and / or parents are either members of CVMS or immigrants from countries where English is not an official language. The bursary is to recognize the academic accomplishment the students have made through years of hard work while adapting to Canadian society. Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale to be eligible.

\$500.00 x 4

2.11 COMOX VALLEY NATURE (CVN) BURSARY

This bursary is awarded to a graduating secondary school student in the Comox Valley. To be eligible, applicants must:

1. Have a career goal in biological or environmental sciences.
2. Enroll in a relevant academic program.
3. Indicate financial need.
4. Have been actively involved in environmental and/or natural history-related activities (eg.at school.)
5. Have volunteer experience, preferably with CVN or other environmentally related organizations.
6. Have high academic standing in relevant science courses.
7. Claim the bursary within 15 months of graduation.

NOTE: Students are also encouraged to complete the CVN-specific Bursary Application Form (which complements the generic application form and supporting documents provided by the schools that students submit to us). That form is available on the society's website:

<https://comoxvalleynaturalist.bc.ca/bursary/>

\$1,000.00

2.12 COMOX VALLEY UNITED SOCCER CLUB BURSARY

The Comox Valley United Soccer Club will provide up to six \$500 bursaries, provided there are applicants that we deem match the criteria. The bursaries are awarded for soccer involvement, not by attendance at a particular school. The following five criteria are required in order to be considered for one of the bursaries.

1. Significant history of involvement with the CVUSC.
2. Possesses the profile / qualities of a highly motivated, well rounded soccer athlete.
3. Contribution to the club other than as a player.
4. Family contribution to the club.
5. Provides proof of attendance at an accredited post-secondary institution for the following September.

\$500.00 x 6

2.13 COURTENAY DISTRICT FISH & GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION BURSARY

This organization is active in the community in promoting wildlife management. The members are very interested in the youth of the community and offer two bursaries to graduates of Vanier, Highland, or Mark Isfeld who qualify in at least one of the two criteria:

1. A student furthering their education in the field which Courtenay Fish & Games promotes (Conservation, Environment, Forestry, Fisheries, etc.) This student does not necessarily have to be a club member dependent.
2. The second recipient should be a dependent (child or grandchild) and not necessarily going into the conservation/environment field.

Special application required, available in student services

\$1,000.00 X 2

2.14 COURTENAY LITTLE THEATRE BURSARY

Courtenay Little Theatre is pleased to offer up to three awards to assist graduates from the Valley towards further study in the field of theatre, both technical and performance. In order to be eligible, students must intend to pursue theatre courses following graduation and have successfully participated in a school or extracurricular program that focuses upon drama. Criteria for selection will include participation in school or community theatrical activity, academic achievement, written recommendations, and contribution to the Courtenay Little Theatre. When two or more candidates meet the four main criteria equally, financial need will be taken into consideration.

Proof of registration in the theatre program of the student's choice will be required prior to the receipt of these bursaries. Should no appropriate application be received from the students in the field of theatre, consideration may be given to application from students entering other disciplines in the performing arts.

\$1,000.00 x 3

2.15 COURTENAY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT BURSARY

This bursary, funded by the Courtenay Volunteer Fire Department Fund, is to support legal, dependent children of the current regular members of the Courtenay Fire Department moving on to post-secondary education or pending accepted post-secondary applications. Applicants must have graduated or be graduating from high school and pursuing any trades, technical or academic program at the college or university level. In addition to an application, applicants must submit a short essay describing their educational and career goals, and their involvement in extracurricular, school, and/or community volunteer activities. A committee of the Comox Valley Community Foundation will select recipients. *The successful candidate's college, university, or school of choice must be either a registered charity or qualified donee with the Canada Revenue Agency.*

\$1,300.00

2.16 CUPE LOCAL 439 -MARGARET ZARUK MEMORIAL BURSARY

The Local shall fund \$2,000 annually for the Margaret Zaruk Memorial Bursary to be awarded in June of each year. To qualify, any graduating grade 12 School District No. 71 student must be the child/grandchild of a current member in good standing of CUPE Local 439 or child/grandchild or a retired member of CUPE Local 439, or the child/grandchild of a member who passed away while they were a member of CUPE Local 439. Each year the Committee will determine whether the bursaries will be two \$1,000 or four \$500 bursaries.

Special application required, forms available in Student Service

\$2,000.00

2.17 CUPE LOCAL 439-MEMORIAL BURSARY

The local shall fund \$2,000 annually for the CUPE 439 Memorial Bursary to be awarded in June of each year. To qualify, any graduating grade 12 School District No. 71 student must be the child/grandchild of a current member in good standing of CUPE Local 439 or child/grandchild of a retired member of CUPE Local 439, or the child/grandchild of a member who passed away while they were a member of CUPE Local 439. Each year the Committee will determine whether the bursaries will be two \$1,000 or four 4 \$500 bursaries.

Special application required, forms available in Student Services

\$2,000.00

2.18 DR. ROBERT E. CLARKE BURSARY

1. This award is awarded on the basis of scholarly and community merit, strength of character and financial need to a Comox Valley Student pursuing a career in the Health Sciences.
 - Academic gold or silver honor roll standings in grades 11 & 12
 - Contribution to the community at large
 - Character i) That which a person really is; nature; disposition; ii) Strength of mind; resolution, independence, individuality; iii) A unique or extraordinary individual, characterized by notable traits.
2. Applicants will be short listed by the School Award Committee with final selection being made by the Clarke family or their designate (Group 2 Scholarship).
3. In 400 words or less, please explain your interest in the healthcare field, your career plans in this field, and why you believe you should be the candidate selected for this award.
4. Release of the scholarship requires proof of registration and attendance at a post-secondary institution.
5. The successful candidate will receive \$1000 for each of 2 consecutive years of study. If the candidate discontinues their studies at any time, any remaining amounts due to that student will be forfeited. The successful candidate's college, university or school of choice must be either a registered charity or qualified done and identified as such by the Canada Revenue Agency.
6. Consideration will also be given to exceptional candidates who have previously graduated from a Comox Valley high school and are pursuing a career in the Health Sciences.

\$2,000.00 x2 (open to 4 secondary schools)

2.19 DR. TERRY JAMES BURSARY

Applications will be accepted from graduating students from Mark R. Isfeld, Highland, GP Vanier, and Glacier View Secondary Schools. One bursary will be awarded annually. Preference will be given to family members of CUPE Local 439, especially to the son or daughter of an Educational Assistant. The successful applicant will demonstrate a commitment of service to others, for example, through community service or volunteer work. The successful applicant will be pursuing a career in human services and preference will be given to a student entering the Human Service Worker diploma course or a related field.

\$500.00

2.20 DONALD WILLIAM TAYLOR BURSARY

Donald William Taylor attended Beaufort School for his elementary schooling and spent his teen years in the Woodland Residential School in New Westminster. As an adult he was a strong advocate for people with disabilities.

The Donald William Taylor Bursary is to be given annually to a student in School District 71 who is proceeding to post-secondary education in a field related to working with people with disabilities.

The student must have shown an interest in working with children or adults with intellectual, physical, or development disabilities through related employment or volunteer work during the secondary school years.

This is a district wide bursary and candidate selection will be managed by L'Arche, Comox Valley.

\$400.00

2.21 EDGETT ECAVATING BURSARY

One bursary is offered to a School District 71 student who meets the following criteria. Focus will be on need, effort, interest, as well as academics. The bursary will be awarded to a graduate furthering their education at a post-secondary institution in BC with preference given to those pursuing industry related programs (Civil Engineering, Heavy Equipment Training, Heavy Duty Mechanical, or similar). A letter detailing educational plans, goals, and the reason for seeking the bursary must be included with applications.

\$500.00

2.22 EXCEL CAREER COLLEGE BURSARY

Excel Career College has offered career-targeted Diploma programs as well as individual course and industry certifications since 1989. Excel is a unique institution where each program is designed with the student needs and the current labour market in mind. Excel strives to continually improve their training and professional leadership and provide students with an effective, respectful, and relevant learning experience. Excel Career College is designated with

the Private Training Institution Branch (PTIB), Education Quality Assurance (EQA) designated for accepting *international* students, an active member of the BC Career Colleges Association and Canadian counsel for Indigenous Business. Excel’s unique schedule and individual customization of programs makes them a perfect choice to build your career.

Excel Career College would like to take this opportunity to offer four bursaries of \$1000 each towards the tuition of a full-time diploma program at Excel Career College, in the Comox Valley. Applications must include a one-page essay on why you would like to attend Excel Career College and should include your current and future career goals. Applicants must be in their grade 11 or 12 school year or have graduated within the previous school year to be eligible.

Bursary award winners can start training anytime within two years of receiving the bursary, they are not limited to a September or January intake.

\$1,000.00 x 4

2.23 JEFF STEWART MEMORIAL FINE ARTS BURSARY

The Jeff Stewart Memorial Fine Arts Bursary will support a student graduating from School District No. 71, who is pursuing performing or fine arts education at a public, post-secondary institution. Within their applications, applicants should demonstrate the qualities of community-mindedness, creativity, determination, innovative thinking, and a passion/ “Spark” for the fine arts, all of which Jeff Stewart embodied.

Jeff believed that the future of humanity rests on the universal right of all girls and women to a full education. He had a life-long commitment to social justice issues and believed in the critical nature of inclusiveness. As such, preference will be given to female, female-identifying, non-binary, gender non-conforming, and/or LGBTQIA2S+ applicants. Applicants must also demonstrate financial need and may choose to defer the award for up to one year. The successful candidates chosen post-secondary institution must be either a registered charity or qualified done registered with the Canada Revenue Agency.

\$500.00

2.24 GARY ROLSTON AGRIFOOD BURSARY

This bursary is provided from a fund established by the Comox Valley Economic Development Society and administered by the Comox Valley Community foundation. The bursary supports a students’ academic training in any agrifood or beverage-based programs within colleges, universities, or schools that are either a registered charity or a qualified done with the Canada Revenue Agency.

\$190.00

2.25 GLACIER VIEW AUXILLARY SOCIETY – HIGH SCHOOL BURSARY

- Applicant must be graduating from grade 12 in the Comox Valley School district in the current year.
- Applicants must complete a Glacier View Lodge Bursary Application Form and submit it to the Auxiliary Bursary Committee on or before March 15th of their graduating year. (The application may be forwarded via the Counsellors' office at the applicant's school.)
- Applicants must be continuing their studies at a Comox Valley post-secondary school in a healthcare field and be able to provide proof of registration in a post-secondary healthcare program of the student's choice prior to the receipt of the bursary. Payment of the bursary will be paid directly to the post-secondary institution.
- As GPA will be considered, applicants must provide authenticated school transcripts verifying academic standing.
- Applications should provide a written overview for their career choice and how they intend to pay for their education and training.
- Applicants should identify their community involvement in healthcare and/or volunteer work with other community agencies and provide contact information or letters of reference from the agencies listed.

SUMMARY

1. You must be a Comox Valley graduating Grade 12 student enrolling in a Comox Valley post-secondary institution in a healthcare field such as healthcare, activity aide or a nursing program.
2. Your submission should include:
 - A cover letter outlining how you meet the required criteria listed above
 - A photocopy of your most recent grades
 - Proof of application or registration in an appropriate C.V. post-secondary healthcare program
 - Copies of any relevant reference letters you may have
 - A completed Glacier View Auxiliary Bursary application form. Copy of application is available through your school counsellor office, and/or online at www.glacierviewauxiliarysociety.com

** Please note – Awards must be spent within 18 months of graduation from secondary school.

\$500.00

2.26 HARMONY REBEKAH LODGE #22

The International Order of Oddfellows, I.O.O.F. is 200 years old in North America this year (2019). The women of Cumberland's Rebekah Lodge have been raising money and supporting the community for 110 years. Harmony Rebekah Lodge #22 is pleased to offer an award to a graduate of Mark R. Isfeld Secondary School. Preference will be given to a member's child or

grandchild. The award will be paid to the Post-Secondary Institution upon the applicant's verification of enrollment.

\$300.00

2.27 IODE LAURA GORDON CHAPTER BURSARY

The IODE chapter 11071 in Comox offers two bursaries to graduating students who are proceeding to a post-secondary institution in the fall. One bursary will be awarded to a student pursuing an academic field of study; one bursary will be awarded to a student studying the arts or pursuing a career as a tradesperson.

IODE receives this funding from the government, and they require the following rules be followed:

1. Bursaries will be issued upon verification of acceptance and enrollment to a qualifying college or university in the calendar year in which it was awarded.
2. Bursaries will be paid directly to the student.

\$250.00 X 2

2.28 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – IN HONOUR OF MACKENZIE WITZEL

The Dr. T. Briggs Council Knights of Columbus Award is presented in honour of McKenzie S. Witzel, a distinguished member of our council and father of three teachers. This award will be awarded to a student from the Mark R. Isfeld graduating class who demonstrates scholastic achievement, extra-curricular activities participation and community involvement. Only well-prepared applications will be considered, and financial need will be a factor. Preference will be given to students pursuing college or university level courses within the province of British Columbia. Award must be used by the end of the year in which they are awarded.

\$500.00

2.29 ÉCOLE MARK R. ISFELD ICE BASKETBALL ALUMNI BURSARY

The Senior Boys Ice Basketball Alumni Award goes to a student who has made a significant contribution to Isfeld's senior basketball program. This student exemplifies skill, sportsmanship, determination, and hard work on and off the basketball court. Students should be registered in a post-secondary program and priority would be given to students continuing their basketball pursuits at a college or university level. Application should include minimum one paragraph stating what the student has learned by being a part of the Isfeld Basketball Program and how they plan to apply this experience in the future.

**The award will be paid to the student upon receipt of tuition payment. **

\$500.00

2.30 MACBROS BASKETBALL BURSARY

The Macbros Basketball Camp is pleased to offer a scholarship to a graduating student that has attended the Macbros Basketball Camp in the summertime at least once over their basketball experience. This student athlete should have demonstrated a high level of commitment to Isfeld's basketball program over a 5-year career (grades 8 through 12). This student athlete should exemplify sportsmanship, integrity, volunteerism, and leadership on and off the court. Interested applicants should submit a minimum two paragraph letter which outlines their involvement in these areas as well as mentioned how Macbros Basketball influenced their love of the game of basketball. Please add a coaching or teaching reference and their current contact information.

\$650.00

2.31 MIKE BUTLER AWARD FOR TECHNICAL THEATRE SKILLS BURSARY

Mike Butler is one of the founding members of Rainbow Youth Theatre Society. He is also the longest serving member of the RYT board of directors and was its President for 20 years. Mike is a tireless volunteer who has provided his skills in lighting design and technical skills for over three decades. RYT chose to honour Mike's selfless dedication to our organization and the Arts Community with a \$500 award that was announced at RYT's 25th anniversary celebration in 2013.

This bursary is to support students who have an interest in pursuing a career in sound, lighting, set design, props and prop-making, set painting, stage management, and directing.

To be eligible, students must:

1. Be graduating from grade 12
2. Be a Rainbow member; (or have been a member during the previous theatre season)
3. Plan to pursue further education in the arts; specifically, **Technical Production for Theatre and Live Events, Stage Management, Lighting or Sound Design, Lighting and Sound Technician**
4. Exemplify the spirit of Rainbow Youth Theatre, and our founder Mike Butler

\$500.00

2.32 MOSAIC FOREST MANAGEMENT BURSARY

Awarded to a School District 71 Indigenous graduating grade 12 student who is pursuing studies in the field of forestry at a post-secondary institution (degree, diploma, or trades). Recipient must demonstrate strong leadership qualities. Alternately, award can be made available to an Indigenous student pursuing post-secondary studies in fisheries or other natural resource management related fields.

\$1,000.00

2.33 PEARL ELLIS GALLERY BURSARY

Established in 1977, the Pearl Ellis Gallery of Fine Arts (PEG) in Comox is non-profit, volunteer-run society with a mandate to showcase and support local artists.

In an effort to assist in the development of students with ambitions for a career in visual arts, the Gallery will provide two, \$1,000. bursaries, in 2023 to two grade 12 students in the valley.

Interested School District 71 students should submit a completed High School Bursary program application, along with a copy of the application to the post-secondary program of their choice and photographs of their work to the PEG Board by April 2, 2023.

Upon confirmed acceptance in the Bursary program, the funds will be released to the student (s). Additionally, the funds can be held for one year, if a 'gap year' is required.

Criteria for recipients and an application can be found on the Pearl Ellis Gallery website at www.pearlellisgallery.com and in Student Services

\$1000.00 x 2

2.34 RAINBOW YOUTH THEATRE BETTY DIXON BURSARY

Betty and her husband, Harry, were spectators during the first season of Rainbow but became enthusiastic supporters thereafter. Betty was a member of Rainbow for many years, serving on the board, behind the scenes, and on stage. When Betty passed away in early December of 2000, Harry and the family requested that donations in her memory be made to Rainbow Youth Theatre. This generous bequest has allowed Rainbow to offer a bursary each year to one of its members graduating from high school and continuing to post-secondary education in the arts. Please note that we consider post-secondary education in the "performing arts" to include drama, dance, music, opera, magic, spoken words, and circus arts.

To be eligible, students must:

1. Be a grade 12 student enrolling in a post-secondary institution for further study in the performing arts.
2. Be enrolled in at least one grade 12 level performing arts course (including drama, music, choir, band, etc.).
3. Meet university or college entrance requirements in academic subjects and obtain a grade of "B" or better in his/her performing arts course.
4. List the rainbow productions that they have participated in either on stage or in a technical capacity.
5. List community involvement in the Arts and volunteer work with other community agencies.
6. List the details of private training which he/she has taken.
7. Exemplify the spirit of Rainbow Youth Theatre and Betty Dixon.

\$500.00

2.35 RAINBOW YOUTH THEATRE THELMA OLIVER MEMORIAL BURSARY

In 2011, Rainbow Youth Theatre introduced the Thelma Oliver Memorial Bursary. This bursary will be available to a graduating student in School District 71 who will continue their studies in theatre or performing arts. This bursary, which is in the amount of \$500, has been made possible thanks to the generous support of Thelma's family and friends.

In order to be eligible, students must:

1. Be a grade 12 student enrolling in a post-secondary institution for further study in the performing arts.
2. Be enrolled in at least one grade 12 level performing arts course (including drama, music, choir, band, etc.).
3. Meet university or college entrance requirements in academic subjects and obtain a grade of “B” or better in his/her performing arts course(s).
4. List the rainbow productions that they have participated in either on stage or in a technical capacity.
5. List community involvement in the Arts and volunteer work with other community agencies.
6. List the details of private training which he/she has taken.
7. Exemplify the spirit of Rainbow Youth Theatre and Thelma Oliver.

\$500.00

2.36 ROTARY CLUB OF COMOX BURSARY

Two bursaries are offered to École Mark R. Isfeld graduates who intend to continue their post-secondary education in a program that leads to a degree or diploma in a service-related field. For example, but not limited to, teaching, health care, tourism, etc.

Preference is given each year to a male and female based on financial need. Award recipients must show proof of enrollment in a post-secondary institution within 15 months of the award.

\$1,000.00 x 4

2.37 ROTARY CLUB OF COMOX-INTERACT BURSARY

The Rotary Club of Comox recognizes that students who participate in the Interact Club make a significant contribution to their school community, their local community and to the global community. These students provide leadership and set an example for their peers that demonstrate the value of serving their communities. They give of their time and talents in an effort to improve the lives of others. In recognition of these efforts, The Rotary Club of Comox has established an annual bursary fund in the amount of \$2,000. This fund will provide two bursaries in the amount of \$1000 each. The funds are designated to be applied to the tuition at a recognized post-secondary educational institution. It is anticipated that such an institution will be a trade school, institute of technology, college, or university.

Criteria for eligibility include:

1. Two-year membership (including grade 12 year) in Mark Isfeld Interact Club.
2. Leadership in a major service project within the Interact Club.
3. Attended a minimum of two Rotary Club of Comox meetings (as a guest of the club).
4. Active participation in another school or community organization.
5. Acceptance and registration in a recognized post-secondary educational program.

Application and Selection Process

Selection will be made by a committee of teachers from the school and shall include the teacher sponsor of the Interact club. Applicants must submit a letter outlining their accomplishments, their educational goals, and how being a member of the Interact Club has influenced them. They must also submit a letter of support from the school or community organization other than interact.

The bursary may be deferred for one year upon receipt of a written request to the Rotary Club of Comox.

\$1,000.00 x 2

2.38 ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH BURSARIES

The Royal Canadian Legion have extensive award programs for local students. Bursaries are awarded on the basis of personal and family financial need. The three bursaries are provided for graduates proceeding to a university or equivalent in British Columbia. Military affiliation is a consideration. All details required on the special application form should be included. Failure to complete the application in its entirety will result in the application NOT being considered. Applicants must attend the institution of their choice the following September.

Special application required; forms available in Student Services-Students need only complete one application to be considered for all three bursaries.

All bursaries are provided through the generous donations of the community to the Poppy Fund.

\$1,000.00 x 2
\$750.00 x 1

2.39 SANDY STAPLES MEMORIAL BURSARY

This bursary is provided as a memorial to the late Sandy Staples. Sandy had a lifelong passion for dance and the performing arts. This bursary will be awarded to a graduating student in SD71 pursuing post-secondary education or vocational training in the performing arts. Financial need will be a consideration.

\$500.00

2.40 SID WILLIAMS THEATRE SOCIETY BURSARY

A minimum award of \$500 per approved recipient will be given out each year to be determined by the SWTS Bursary Committee. The award will be paid to the applicant upon confirmation of enrollment.

Criteria:

1. Applicants must submit a complete SWTS Award Application Form or similar forms provided by the High School to the Sid Williams Theatre Award Committee (which may be forwarded via the Applicant's school) **on or before April 15** (or the following Tuesday IF April 15 falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Monday).

2. Applicants must be a graduating student in the year of application from: Glacier View Secondary, GP Vanier Secondary, Highland Secondary, Mark Isfeld Secondary, Nala'atsi Alternate School, or North Island Distance Education, or other Comox Valley Based grade 12 institution. The SWTS will consider applications submitted by Comox Valley residents graduating from another Grade 12 equivalency program if all other award criteria are met.
 3. Applicants must be continuing their studies at a post-secondary institution in a field related to the performing arts or entertainment industry (including film/video).
 4. Applicants may attach additional letters of reference as applicable.
- OR**
5. Applicant must be investing a minimum of 2 hours per week (minimum 40 hours per year) in formal training (i.e. class/tutor/instructor led) at a senior level in a performing art, such as band, voice, drama, or dance; and must attach a letter of recommendation from their performing art teacher, choir director, band instructor, etc., and have performed in some capacity on the SWT stage (can include technical theatre activity) or have completed 40 hours of volunteering at the Sid Williams Theatre. As Covid-19 may have disrupted these studies, applicants may indicate any alternative activities, or use special criteria. Applicants participating in indigenous cultural performances (or other traditional cultural performances practices) or training are also encourages to apply.

Special criteria:

Applicants who do not meet all the criteria above (either in terms of commitment to the theatre arts/film/video or in terms of their post-secondary education plans), **but** who believe they can demonstrate a commitment to theatre arts/film/video, **and** who believe their intended future studies will prove beneficial for the community and the theatre industry, may write a **letter** of application outlining their theatre/arts background and their intended studies, and submit it to the bursary committee by the April 15th deadline.

If funds are available, the bursary committee may consider letters of application after the April 15 deadline in special circumstances. In this case the letter of application must also explain the special circumstances.

For a *Special Criteria* and future-study consideration if it is performance oriented (dance...mask...music/drumming 35c.)

The letter application may be submitted in person via mail to the theatre address or by email bursary@sidtheatre.com

Special application required, forms available in Student Services. Applications may also be submitted directly via this link: <https://www.sidwilliamstheatre.com/support/student-bursaries/>

\$500.00 Minimum

2.41 SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL CLUB OF COURTENAY BURSARY

Soroptimist International of Courtenay is a women's service club which works through awareness, advocacy, and action to improve the quality of life for women and girls, and to promote positive changes in society at local, national and international levels.

In selecting recipients for these awards candidates must meet the following criteria:

1. Show evidence of need for financial assistance.
2. Demonstrate a record of community service that is supported by letter of reference from the agencies listed.
3. Have well-defined personal, educational and career goals.
4. Produce authenticated school transcripts that verify an academic standing that allows entry into the chosen post-secondary program.
5. Their responses to two questions about Soroptimist using the official website: www.soroptimist.org. *
6. Applicants must use Soroptimist International Courtenay application form that is available in the counselling office.

* Submit your word-processed responses to the following two questions in well-crafted paragraphs of 100 – 150 words. Attach to your application.

Go to www.soroptimist.org, and select *Who We Are*. Read about us. Next, select *What We Do* and read about each of the programs of service.

1. Tell what Soroptimists do then tell which of the programs appealed most to you? Give reasons for your choice.
2. What do you think Soroptimist International of Courtenay should take on as a project to improve the lives of young women in our community?
3. Special Application form in Student Services.

Special application required, forms available in Student Services

\$500.00 x 4

2.42 UNION OF NATIONAL DEFENCE EMPLOYEES LOCAL 1007 BURSARY

Local 1007 Union of National Defense Employees offers a \$500 award to a graduating student from each of the secondary schools in the Comox Valley proceeding to any post-secondary training. The successful applicants must have at least a “C” average and demonstrate practical ability. Applicants must be related to a Union of National Defense Employees member presently working and must include the member’s name and where they work. Preference will be given to students demonstrating financial need.

\$500.00

2.43 UPPER ISLAND WOMEN OF NATIVE ANCESTRY BURSARY

UIWONA has served as a voice for women with Aboriginal ancestry since 1991. UIWONA brings cultural awareness to the Comox Valley Aboriginal community. We educate and nurture children, promote health and healing, and strengthen families. UIWONA is pleased to offer a bursary to deserving graduates of School District 71 (Comox Valley). The number of bursaries offered depends on funds available in any given year.

Please note the following criteria:

1. Must be a female student of Aboriginal, Inuit or Metis ancestry

2. Can be living on or off reserve
3. Earns a C average or above
4. Graduate intends to follow studies in an area where their work supports health and wellness in the community.

The use of the funds is unconditional – for any needs that the student has.

\$250.00

2.44 WILLIAM “BUD” COLBOW BURSARY

This award is provided from a fund established by the estate of William Lloyd Colbow and administered by the Comox Valley Community Foundation. The recipient must be connected in some way with the Comox Valley and be pursuing studies in **Agriculture or Forestry**. The successful candidate’s college, university or school of choice must be either a registered charity or qualified donee and identified as such by the Canada Revenue Agency.

\$1,700.00 x 4 (open to 4 secondary schools)

GROUP THREE BURSARIES & SCHOLARSHIPS

Applicant is responsible for submitting application directly to donor agency

3.1 CCFCC NORTH VANCOUVER ISLAND CHEF’S ASSOCIATION

The CCFCC North Vancouver Island Chef’s Association is offering a bursary towards Culinary Arts training. This bursary will be awarded to *high school student (s)* who are pursuing a career in the Culinary Arts. These students must be attending a local college to pursue their career. Funds will be released upon confirmation of enrollment in programming. Priority will be given to students who have taken foods in high school and who have shown an interest in the Culinary Arts.

Application Process:

The application process is a letter to the Chef’s Association outlining your interest in the Culinary Arts, career goals and what local college you will be using the bursary/scholarship funds for. Also, a letter of reference is required from your teacher, employer, chef, or mentor. All applications must be submitted online to info@northvancouverislandchefs.com by midnight on April 15th, 2023. Any late applications will not be accepted. Recipient(s) will be announced at the June bursary dinner. The bursary amount awarded will be between \$250-\$2000. Any bursary not awarded or accepted may be carried over to the next year.

\$250.00 - \$2,000.00 <https://www.northvancouverislandchefs.com/bursaries.html>

3.2 COAST CAPITAL SAVINGS – STANDING TALL AWARD

At Coast Capital, we help empower youth to achieve what's important in their lives by investing in programs that give youth a hand up and improve youth financial well-being.

We also understand that paying for an education can be difficult for youth. To support students who have overcome adversity and personal challenges, our annual Youth Education Awards program has proudly invested over \$2.4 million in over 850 students since 2004.

Our Standing Tall Awards support youth who have faced adversity and have not only risen up against the odds but are demonstrating a commitment to continue their education. This award is open to students who have faced challenges like poverty, health issues, family issues, personal loss, and lack of support.

For more information about this award, please visit www.coastcapitalsavings.com/awards

\$2,500.00 x 60

3.3 FIRST COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION SCHOLARSHIPS

The scholarship program is open to grade 12 students planning to attend full time undergraduate study at an approved college or university, trade school or special interest school. In order for the students to be eligible, we ask that they submit a plan for a project to improve their community. The donor would like students to look closely at their community and see where they can make a difference. We ask that you Keep It Simple. The application deadline is April 1, 2023.

Coastal community will be awarding **8 scholarships of \$2,000** each based on their community plan. Of those 8 recipients, **2 students** will be awarded an additional \$1,000 to implement their project plans and will receive an **additional \$500** award based on completion of their project.

One of eight awards will be allocated to a Coastal Community employee relative.

Please note: this program is being offered to students across Vancouver Island and Gulf Islands. **Submit your online application which includes the details of your community project, by April 1, 2023. Start your application here: [Here](#)**

\$2,000.00 x 8

3.4 C. V. FARMERS INSTITUTE BURSARY & DEMONG FAMILY BURSARY

The Selection for this bursary will be made by the Directors of the Comox Valley Farmers Institute Bursary Committee. Applicants are to meet the applicant guidelines and criteria as detailed below and fill in the questionnaire as detailed below; the complete package should be in the hands of the Bursary Committee no later than **August 1, 2023** either by mail or email.

Criteria:

1. The applicant must:
 - a. resides, or his/her family must reside within School District 71.

b. Be a student registered/enrolled in post-secondary studies at a University, College, Technical School or similar institution in September 2023.

2. Preference will be given to a student who is intending on or pursuing further agricultural studies/education and who is likely to make a contribution to agriculture/farming.

3. While acceptable academic performance is required, the award will not necessarily be made on the basis of academic standing. The successful candidate will be of good character and practical ability.

4. Funds will be awarded only after proof of registration/enrollment for September 2023 at a University, College, Technical School or similar institution has been confirmed. Letter of acceptance from post-secondary institution is acceptable for 1st year students.

5. Applicants may receive the bursary only one time.

6. Applicants must provide a transcript detailing courses taken and marks achieved from last institution attended.

7. Applicants to please fill in the attached questionnaire to the best of their ability.

*The public media may be informed of the award recipient and the recipient may be requested to submit a photograph and some information to be published either in printed media and/or on Facebook.

\$1000.00 **DEADLINE AUGUST 1, 2023**

3.5 COMOX VALLEY ROAD RUNNERS YOUTH BURSARY

Comox Valley Roadrunners is a non-profit organization formed in 1980 to foster and promote running and healthy lifestyle in our community. As part of our mandate, we would like to offer a \$1000 bursary to a graduating student. It is directed to a Comox Valley student that is competing at the regional, provincial, or national level in road running, cross country running, or track running events.

Eligibility and Criteria: a) Graduating this year and will be entering their first year of full-time studies at a post-secondary institution. b) Resident of the Comox Valley. c) Participant or member of a Vancouver Island running association or club, school running or cross-country team. d) Demonstrates financial need. e) Demonstrates a healthy lifestyle and school and/or community involvement. f) Have obtained an acceptable academic record. Candidates who meet all of these criteria are invited to apply for this CVRR Youth Bursary. In addition to the attached application form, please submit a letter of support from the community, school, OR coach AND a copy of your academic transcript.

\$1000.00 **DEADLINE MARCH 31, 2023**

3.6 CEP EDUCATIONAL FACILITY MANAGERS ASSOCIATION OF BC

These bursaries are offered to secondary students completing their grade 12 year who will enter a recognized post-secondary educational institution in the 2022/2023 term. Bursaries will be awarded on the basis of academic achievement and/or special needs. Preference will be given to students entering the fields of engineering, architecture, or building technology. Should there not be suitable applications received in these fields, students in other courses of study will be considered, however **all applicants must be dependents of school district employees in the school plant area** (i.e., Maintenance or Custodial)

Start your application [here](#) \$1,000.00 x 5

DEADLINE APRIL 30, 2023

3.7 FIRST COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION BURSARY

First (Union Bay) Credit union may award four bursaries in the amount of \$1500 each to a total of \$6000 annually, to members pursuing further education. The applicant and/or parents/guardians must be active members of First Credit Union for at least the previous six months. The successful applicants will be selected on a basis of involvement in their school and/or community, school achievement and financial need. Bursaries must be claimed within two years. Bursary monies will be directed to the post-secondary institutions upon verification of enrollment.

In addition to filling out the Group 2 Application Form, applicants must address a letter to the First Credit Union outlining academic achievements, extra-curricular activities, community activities, educational and career plans, and any other information explaining why you feel you are a qualified candidate for this bursary. <https://www.firstcu.ca/our-difference/community-impact>

\$1500.00 x 4

3.8 IAN FORD TRUST

This bursary is created in memory of Ian Ford who lost his life in a mudslide while working with the Public Works at Port Alice. It is available to a graduating Vancouver Island student who intends to enter post-secondary studies immediately in September. **Email for more information: info@portalice.ca**

\$500.00

DEADLINE MARCH 24, 2023

3.9 M'AKOLA 'JUDY BOURNE' SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was created in recognition of Judy Bourne, an inspirational woman of Cree Ancestry. Judy was a devoted wife and mother of six children who was well known for her athletic and coaching abilities, particularly as a nationally and internationally recognized volleyball coach.

Judy taught for many years in a variety of subjects at various grade levels. From 1984-1989, she was the Executive Director of M'akola Housing Society, a society responsible for developing

urban Indigenous housing on Vancouver Island. Under her guidance, the society became a model for housing projects across Canada. During her tenure she, along with well-known artist Roy Henry Vickers, was chosen by the Aboriginal Nations Education Department as a role model for her contribution to the Indigenous communities of this area.

Obtain an application from <http://makoladevelopment.com/awards/>

\$1600.00 x 6

DEADLINE: May 12, 2023

3.10 PARKSVILLE QUILT HOUSE QUILTER'S GUILD BURSARY

The Parksville Quilt House Quilters' Guild members are offering \$1500 scholarship to qualified applicants.

To be eligible students must:

1. Be graduating from a school in Central Vancouver Island (SD68 Nanaimo, SD69 Qualicum, SD70 Port Alberni, or SD71 Comox Valley) **or** be a member or a child or grandchild of a member in good standing with the Guild.
2. Be pursuing a degree in textile arts or fashion design. Degrees in Fine Arts and Graphic Design will be considered if the candidate demonstrates that these will be related to fibre/textile arts or fashion design.
3. Have successfully completed a course of study in textiles or fashion design at secondary school or be able to demonstrate (with photos, samples, testimonials, or awards) a strong personal interest in quilting, quilting history, or textile arts, including fashion design.
4. Currently at or entering a Canadian post-secondary institution.

In addition to meeting the criteria, the candidate must provide:

1. Transcript of grades for grade 11 and grade 12 courses (or teacher's authorized estimate of final grade for current courses).
2. Letter of recommendation from your sponsoring teacher.
3. A letter explaining:
 - a. Why you are deserving of this scholarship and how you meet the criteria.
 - b. Your plans for further education (where and what you will study).
 - c. Your affiliation, if any, with the Guild.

To receive scholarship monies, you will be required to forward to the Guild proof of registration at an accredited Canadian post-secondary institution within 27 months of award presentation date (which is printed on the certificate of award) and your social insurance number.

Special application required, forms available in Student Services

\$1500.00

3.11 STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP ORGANIZATION

LINKED you will find a list of 14 Scholarship Programs available to BC students. More than 350 Individual Scholarships will be distributed through these 14 Programs. Students from BC school districts are eligible for all the awards [HERE](#).

3.12 TOM FINNIE INDIGENOUS TRADES BURSARY

This bursary is in memory of Tom Finnie, who was a former Board Member of M'akola. Tom was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. His life was one of total service to his country via the Navy. Every community he lived in was enriched by his presence; each life he touched made better because he cared and let them know they were special.

He was a tireless worker in many organizations throughout his life, including being a trades person. He supported all sports and was a senior game swimmer. He taught cultural activities with School District 71. He travelled as far as Manitoba, teaching drum making, hunting, fishing, and survival.

In recognition of Tom's commitment to his community and the communities served by the M'akola, the organization established an annual Tom Finnie Indigenous Trades Bursary.

Criteria:

1. Student of Indigenous ancestry living on Vancouver Island or Northwest BC
2. New or continuing student who has successfully completed their last full-time period of study (GPA 2.5 or equivalent)
3. Transcript (optional, not required)
4. Financial need taken in consideration
5. Reference letter (from school counselor, administrator, teacher, or community member)
6. Cover letter (no more than one page) – describing the following:
 - a. Your future plans
 - b. Why you feel you are a potential candidate for this award
 - c. What you do to enhance the image of Indigenous people
7. Completed application
8. Proof of enrollment in a trades program (not needed for application, but if you are selected to receive bursary, proof is required to receive funds).

Obtain an application from <http://makoladevelopment.com/awards/>

Please note: the bursary must be claimed within two years of date of award.

\$1000.00 x 4

DEADLINE: November 30, 2023

3.12 UNITED STEELWORKERS, LOCAL 1-1937 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

United Steelworker, Local 1-1937 has \$5000 available for scholarships. Amounts to be determined by the Selection Committee. There will be a minimum of 4 scholarships available.

Eligibility requirements:

1. A member in good standing, son, daughter, grandchild, or legal dependent of a member in good standing or of a retired or deceased Member who were in good standing with United Steelworkers, Local 1-1937 or the legacy Local Unions.
2. Currently graduating from a secondary school.
3. Must be planning to enroll in a public post-secondary institution as a fulltime student in September following graduation.

4. Vocational or Academic Programs are acceptable at any recognized public institution (college, polytechnic, institute of technology, or university).
5. A short essay (maximum 500 words) on the topic “The purpose of a Trade Union: Are today’s Unions fulfilling that purpose or have they lost sight of it?”
6. Transcript for grades 11 & 12.

Application forms available from the Local Union website www.usw1-1937.ca, the Local Union office (250-334-3329) or Student Services.

Applications received without Local Union Application form, transcript of grades and the essay will be considered incomplete.

Additional scholarships may be available through USSW district 3. Check their website www.usw.ca/members/scholarships

\$5,000.00 (divided into a minimum of 4 awards) **Deadline May 1, 2023**

3.13 VICTORIA DIOCESAN CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE BURSARY- IN MEMORY OF FRED A SMITH

This bursary is awarded annually to a graduating Catholic student within the Diocese of Victoria who is the child or grandchild of a member of the Catholic Women’s league of Canada. The student must be planning on registering at a post-secondary institution (university, university transfer program, technical school, regional college, vocational college, or registered school of nursing or medical services) and will be awarded based on financial need, academic performance, and community and church involvement. To be considered for this bursary, students must:

1. Complete the Catholic Women’s League Bursary application form.
2. Attach a transcript of his/her current academic standing.
3. Attach a narrative essay outlining his successes, achievements, parish and community involvement, and future goals.
4. Provide proof of registration at a post-secondary institution within two years of the bursary being awarded.

Special application required, forms available in the church offices.

\$750.00