

Carol Shantz Bursary

Award Application Form

Each year, the Carol Shantz Bursary Award recognizes a current outstanding client or an alumnus of KidsAbility who, through effort and perseverance, seeks to realize their full potential through post-secondary education.

Established to honour Carol Shantz, retired KidsAbility School Educator & Principal, the award provides financial aid to an individual entering studies for the first time or as a current student. Since the fund was first established in 2001 by KidsAbility Foundation, over 20 individuals have received the award.

Bursary Amount: \$1,000

Number of Bursaries: 1

Application Opens: January 1, 2024

Deadline to Apply: April 26, 2024*

The Carol Shantz Bursary Award is available to current clients or alumnus of KidsAbility who are enrolled to enter their first year or currently studying at a post-secondary institution in Canada.



Who Can Apply

Applicants must:

- Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident/landed immigrant, convention refugee, or a protected person living in Canada.
- Have received services, either currently or in the past, from KidsAbility.
- Be accepted and enrolled in September of the year the Bursary is awarded for full-time or part-time post-secondary studies in a Canadian college or university, accredited professional or apprenticeship training institution that offers a degree or certificate.

Previous applicants who have not received the bursary are eligible to re-apply.

How To Apply

1. [Complete the application form](#)
2. Attach a photocopy or scanned original of high school transcripts or transcripts of post-secondary study
3. Provide proof of registration at post-secondary institution that shows your new student ID number. This could include a letter of acceptance from the institution.
4. Include two (2) letters of support from individuals not related to you. Consider asking a teacher, therapist, counsellor, employer, community member, church official, coach, or physician. Please include how the supporter knows you, and why the supporter believes you deserves the scholarship.
5. Share a bit about yourself by answering the following in 150-200 words:
 - What are your plans and goals for the future?
 - What goals you have set?
 - What have you already achieved?
 - What barriers and challenges have you overcome?
 - How have you been involved in your community? (extra-curricular activities, sports, clubs etc.)
 - What role did KidsAbility play in your life? What does KidsAbility mean to you today?

Please provide any additional information you feel will be helpful to the selection committee.

Application forms are also available by contacting Jenna Allan at 519-886-8886 ext. 1293 or jallan@kidsability.ca.

Apply Today

Completed applications and all supporting documents must be received by KidsAbility Foundation no later than 4:30 pm on April 26, 2024, via email to jallan@kidsability.ca. Incomplete applications can not be considered.

Award recipients will be notified by email in May 2024.

A note about your privacy: All personal information collected by KidsAbility Foundation for the Carol Shantz Bursary Award is held in confidence. If you receive the Carol Shantz Bursary Award, your name will only be published with your expressed consent. To celebrate your achievement, KidsAbility Foundation will invite you to share photos, written responses, or other submissions in our print publications, website and social media. However, this is entirely optional, and you are under no obligation to publicly identify yourself. Should you have any questions about our Privacy Policy, please contact Lisa Talbot, Executive Director at ltalbot@kidsability.ca for more information.

Pictured, Former Bursary Recipients