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Portage & Rural MS Support Bursary Fund

APPLICATION FORM

The Portage & Rural MS Support bursary is intended to assist one student each year whose life has been affected by MS either personally, or in the family, or is pursuing an education in the Science or Medical Field.

In order to be eligible for this scholarship, applicants must meet the criteria listed on page 3 of this application form.

The completed application form is to be submitted to the Community Foundation of Portage and District Inc (CFPD) by May 15.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City & Province _____

Postal Code _____

Phone _____

Email _____

If applicable, please describe how your life or the life of a family member has been affected by MS

Complete the following information with regards to the Post-Secondary Institute applied for or currently enrolled in:

Name of Institution: _____

Location: _____

Name of Program: _____

Length of Program: _____

Describe your long term academic goals and career objectives:

Please submit application no later than May 15th with the following information:

- Proof of enrollment or acceptance at a post secondary institute in the field of Science or Medicine
- Official transcripts from your current school's registrar
- Two (2) letters of recommendation (non-relative) from within your community

This is to confirm the information contained within this application form is complete and accurate.

Applicants Signature: _____

Date _____

ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA:

In order to be considered for the Portage & Rural MS Support Bursary, applicants should meet the following criteria:

- Student whose life is affected by MS either personally, or in the family, or is pursuing post secondary education in the Science or Medical field
- Student is a current or past resident of the City or RM of Portage la Prairie
- Submit two letters of recommendation from a non-relative who is familiar with your goals and aptitude
- Official transcripts from current school's registrar

ALTERNATE CANDIDATE:

During the selection process the selection committee shall choose an alternate candidate in the event the first choice candidate fails to qualify or decides not to pursue studies as stated in their application. In order to qualify for the scholarship, the alternate candidate must have met the eligibility criteria.

Portage & Rural MS Support History

The Portage and Rural MS Support Bursary was established as a result of a group of dedicated individuals working towards helping improve the quality of life for patients and families dealing with Multiple Sclerosis. The group did not get the response expected from patients, families, volunteers and community need, so in 2020 dissolved the group and it was their hope that the people needing help will reach out to the Manitoba MS Society support group.

Despite the lack of response, the Portage and Rural MS Support received it was very successful in fundraising. It was decided to donate the funds raised to the Portage Community Foundation to create the Portage & Rural MS Support Bursary Fund. The bursary will continue the vision of the group – to help those in the Portage and surrounding rural areas, through a scholarship focused on individuals with MS, family with MS or those individuals continuing their education in the medical field.