

**Voices: Manitoba's Youth in Care Network
Peter D. Curry Memorial
Scholarship Application**

OVERVIEW

Voices: Manitoba's Youth in Care Network is proud to administer two separate scholarship opportunities to young individuals currently or formerly in the care of the Manitoba Child Welfare System; the **Voices: Manitoba's Youth in Care Scholarship**, valued up to \$1000; and the **P.D. Curry Memorial Scholarship**, valued up to \$2000. The selection of candidates is based on the individual's financial need, potential for success, past community involvement, and desire to give back to the youth-in-care community.

ELIGIBILITY

Please check your eligibility before you begin the application process. You are eligible only if the following criteria apply to you:

- You are in or were living in the care of Child and Family Services agencies within Manitoba for a minimum of 1 year, which means you have been at least **one** of the following:
 - Designated a temporary or permanent ward,
 - Designated a voluntary placement agreement (VPA),
 - Placed in a place of safety, group home, or foster home by an agency
- New applicants: you are 30 years of age or younger before the date of the application deadline.
- You have met the college, university, and/or program entry requirements. Please attach proof of acceptance or application.

Provide as much detail as possible on this application. The scholarship committee judging the applications can only know you through the information you provide. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Please use paper clips to keep your application together.

Keep a photocopy of your application for your own records.

Your application package must include the following items:

- Pages 3-8 of this application, signed and dated
- Two letters of reference
- A copy of your most recent school transcript
- Proof of acceptance or application into your chosen program of studies
- Your essay responses:
 - Achievements
 - Aspirations
 - Personal Support

Mail, courier, or drop off your completed application package to the address below. The complete application package must be received by **4:30pm, Friday June 18th, 2010**. Late applications will not be accepted. Faxed or emailed copies will not be accepted. The application package must be submitted to:

Voices: Manitoba's Youth in Care Network
Scholarship Committee
929 Main Street
Winnipeg MB R2W 3P2

AFTER YOU APPLY

Please inform us immediately if you move or change your contact information, or you will not be contacted regarding your application status.

If you have applied for this scholarship before receiving notification of acceptance to your chosen program of studies, you are required to inform us once you have received the final decision regarding your student status.

The applicants who are selected for the 2010-2011 academic year will be contacted by a scholarship committee member by **Friday July 23rd, 2010**. Scholarship recipients are required to sign a contract that outlines the terms and conditions for this scholarship, including:

- Scholarship monies are to be used primarily for school tuition, school fees, school books, and/or school supplies. Any remaining funds may be applied to living expenses.
- You must complete the school year at the same college, university, or program. The scholarships are non-transferable.
- You will be required to write a personal letter about your progress in your studies for presentation to the donor of this fund.
- You must participate in Scholars activities, which consist of one evening meeting each month over the 2010-2011 academic year, and the annual volunteering event in December. Adjustments will be made to accommodate the participation of Scholars from outside of Winnipeg.

By submitting a scholarship application, you indicate your consent for the scholarship committee to confirm that you have been in care for a minimum of one year.

Any recipient who signs the contract but does not fulfill the terms and conditions will have the scholarship terminated, and the recipient will be required to relinquish all or a portion of the award.

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Please indicate which scholarship you are applying for:

Voices: Manitoba's Youth in Care Scholarship (value of \$500)
For all youth in and from care across Manitoba

Peter D. Curry Memorial Scholarship (value of up to \$2000)
**For youth in and from care who have lived or currently reside in the following
Winnipeg communities: St. Vital, St. Boniface, Transcona, Elmwood, North Kildonan, or
the North End.**

Personal Information

Full Name: _____

Birthday: _____ Age: _____

Current Address: _____

City/Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Address while in school: _____

City/Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

P.D. Curry Memorial Scholarship applicants: Please indicate the address at which you live or have lived in one of the following areas: **St. Vital, St. Boniface, Transcona, Elmwood, North Kildonan, or the North End:**

Length of time at above address (yr/mo) _____

<p>Voluntary Disclosure (for statistical purposes only): Please check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if you a member of any of the following groups:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal Persons</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Persons who are Visible Minority</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Person with Disability</p>

Child Welfare History

Name of Child Welfare Agency/ Agencies: _____

How long were you in care? (Age to age) _____

Child Welfare Contact

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Education

What education do you have to date? _____

Last school attended? _____

Graduation Date/ Anticipated Completion: _____

What schools have you applied to? (Please ✓ if you have been accepted)

School	Accepted?	I haven't heard back yet	Not accepted

What will you study? What led you to this choice?

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Is this a full- or part-time program? (Circle one) Full-time Part-time

How many credit hours? (Fall and Winter) _____

Start date: _____

Financial Information

Have you applied for or received any other forms of financial assistance (scholarships, bursaries, student loans, band funding)? (Circle one)

Yes No

Please list all of the financial resources you have pursued. If you are the winner of another scholarship equal to or exceeding the value of this scholarship, and you no longer require this scholarship to meet **school expenses**, please notify us so that this scholarship may be awarded to those who require financial support.

Financial Resource	Dollar Value	I will be receiving this resource	I haven't heard back yet	I will not be receiving this resource
(i.e. Voices)	(\$500)		(✓)	

Application Checklist:

- Pages 3-8 of this application, signed and dated
- Two letters of reference. Some suggestions are:
 - Foster parent
 - Group home staff
 - Teacher
 - Coach
 - Employer
 - Social Worker
 - Religious leader (Elder, Pastor, Minister, Priest)
- A copy of your most recent school transcript
- Proof of acceptance or application into your chosen program of studies
- Your essay responses:
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DECLARATION: By signing this application form, I hereby verify that the information that I have provided is true. I consent to the selection committee verifying that I have been in the care of a Manitoba Child and Family Services Agency.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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