

# Advancing Futures Bursary

The Advancing Futures Bursary is being offered to former youth in care and/or youth on extensions of care who are attending post secondary education on a full or part time basis. This bursary, coordinated through the Building Futures program, is intended to assist individuals with education costs to support their training and employment pathway.

**Bursaries will be awarded on demonstrated financial need up to a maximum of \$10,000 based on course load.**

## Am I Eligible?

Participants must meet all the following criteria to be eligible for the Advancing Futures Bursary:

- A resident of Manitoba between the ages of 18-30
- A Youth in Care or Former Youth in Care in one of the following areas:
  - A youth in care on an extension of care
  - A former youth in care in receipt of a tuition waiver
  - A former youth in care funding your academic pursuits
- Enrolled Full time (according to the institution) or Part-Time at an eligible post-secondary educational institution for the current year. *(please note: Bursaries will be evaluated based course load and hours)*

## How to Apply

- Complete the attached application form
- Provide a **cover letter** telling the selection committee a little bit about you and why you chose your current post secondary program and your aspirations for the future (2 page maximum, where directed in the application)
- Include a copy of current transcript (scanned and emailed to [ITESinfo@gov.mb.ca](mailto:ITESinfo@gov.mb.ca) or mailed to ITES address below)
- Complete the attached consent form to verify school registration and youth in care status with the Department of Families or Child Welfare Authority

For assistance in completing the application form please call:  
Charity Leonard (204) 987-8661, Extension: 671, or John Finkbeiner (204) 982-6126

## Awards

The Advancing Futures Bursary Selection Committee will award bursaries based upon the following criteria:

1. Demonstrated financial need
2. Grades and academic achievement to date
3. Commitment to education and career pathway
4. Completed application package received by deadline: **February 24th 2017 – 4:30 p.m.**

Applicants should complete the entire application and return it to:

### Advancing Futures Bursary

**Attention:** Janice Chin  
215-800 Portage Avenue  
Winnipeg, MB. R3G 0N4  
Ph: (204) 945-3925  
Email: [ITESinfo@gov.mb.ca](mailto:ITESinfo@gov.mb.ca)

**Completed application packages must be received by:**

**4:30 p.m. on Friday, February 24th, 2017.**

**Incomplete packages will not be considered.**

**Please note: All Bursaries must be reported to Student Aid**

# Advancing Futures **Bursary**

## APPLICATION FORM

### 2016 - 2017

#### 1. General Information

Name (first and last):	
Social Insurance Number:	
Address:	
City, Prov., Postal Code:	
Mailing Address (if different from above):	
City, Prov., Postal Code:	
Home Phone:	
Work Phone:	
Cell Phone:	
E-Mail Address:	
Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yyyy)	
Status:	<p>Aboriginal</p> <p>Non Aboriginal</p> <p>Inuit</p> <p>Treaty (Status)      Band:</p> <p>Non-Status</p> <p>Métis</p> <p>Visible Minority</p>

#### 2. Child Welfare History

Name of Agency:	
Status with Agency:	<p>Currently on an Extension of Care and Maintenance</p> <p>Former Permanent Ward</p> <p>Former Temporary Ward</p>
How long were you in Agency care?	
Agency Contact (optional) Name & Phone #:	

### 3. Education

Name of Post Secondary Institution	
Degree/Diploma	
Please indicate course load	Full Time                      Part Time
Anticipated Year of Graduation	

### 4. Career Plans

What are your career goals	
How did you arrive at your career goals	
Please explain why this area interests you	
How did you hear about the Advancing Futures Bursary Award?	

## 5. Cover Letter

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Please paste your cover letter in the space below.

## 6. Financial Information

### Household Income/Expenses Statement

MONTHLY EXPENSES (during education)		MONTHLY INCOME (during education)	
<i>Item</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>Housing</b>			
Room / Board		Employment Insurance (EI) Benefits	
Rent / Mortgage		Job Earnings (net)	
Property Taxes		Spousal/Partner Income (net)	
Home Insurance		Child Tax Benefit	
Gas/Hydro/Water Utilities		Employment & Income Assistance	
Telephone		Worker's Compensation	
Cable / Internet		Child Support/Spousal Support	
<b>Subtotal Housing</b>		Pension / Survivor's Benefits	
<b>Debts</b>			
Student Loan		Investment Income	
Other Loan Payments		Other (e.g. tenants/boarders)	
Credit Cards		Support from Band/Tribal Council, Indian Affairs, MMF	
Other (e.g. child support)		Manitoba government support	
<b>Subtotal Debts</b>		Federal day-care amount	
<b>Transportation</b>		<b>Other</b>	
Parking		<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	
Gas			
License / Insurance			
Vehicle Payments			
Maintenance / Repairs			
Bus Fare/Pass			
<b>Subtotal Transportation</b>			
<b>Other</b>			
Food/Groceries			
Child Care			
Laundry / Dry Cleaning			
Clothing (family and self)			
Dental/Glasses			
Prescriptions			
Other Insurance			
Entertainment			
Misc.(approx. 10% of monthly costs)			
<b>Subtotal Other</b>			
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>			
<b>TRAINING COSTS</b>		<b>OTHER SPONSORSHIP SUPPORT</b>	
Tuition		Severance Pay (net)	
Books		Scholarships/Bursaries	
Supplies		Savings	
Student Fees		Loans (e.g. student, bank, family)	
Other		Insurance (Autopac or other)	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	

# Advancing Futures Bursary Consent Form/Release of Information

## Applicant's Declaration

I \_\_\_\_\_ (Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Birth Date)  
hereby authorize the exchange of information between the Province of Manitoba and  
recognized post secondary institutions, in Manitoba, as it relates to the Advancing Futures  
Bursary, including but not limited to:

- Verification of school acceptance;
- Educational information including student records submitted to Building Futures as part of  
the Advancing Futures Bursary Award;
- End-of-term reports including credit hours and grades as it relates to my studies;
- General comments about my progress, attendance, and any financial information related  
to my student loan, grants or waiver; and,
- Notification if I am a recipient of an Advancing Futures Bursary.

The purpose of exchanging information is to determine eligibility for the Advancing Futures  
Bursary.

By signing this application form, I hereby verify that the information that I have provided is true.  
Should any part of the information included in this application package change for any reason, I  
agree to immediately alert the Advancing Futures Bursary Awards Committee of these changes.  
I also consent to Building Futures verifying that I have been in the care of the Department of  
Families and that I am registered as a full time student at a recognized post secondary  
educational institution in Manitoba.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name/Digital Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

I wish to subscribe to the mailing list to receive important financial and programming  
information from Building Futures and/or the Province of Manitoba

**Submit by Email**

OR

**Submit by mail:**  
Industry Training & Employment Services  
**Advancing Futures Bursary**  
215-800 Portage Avenue  
Winnipeg, MB. R3G 0N4

# BUILDING FUTURES

## What is Building Futures?

Building Futures provides employment and training assistance services to youth in care or aging out of care to ease the transition to adult life. Services include education planning and/or job search, help finding secure housing, budgeting and money management training and life guidance and support.

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## Who is Eligible for Services?

- Youth in Care, youth on an Extension of Care or youth formally in care with one of the following Authorities:
    - General Authority
    - Metis Child and Family Services Authority
    - Southern Authority
    - Northern Authority
  - Between the ages of 16 – 30
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## What Services are available?

### ***Youth Service Navigation***

can help you figure out the right path to help you achieve your goals as an adult.

### ***Building Futures Counseling***

is a free service to support you with life, relationship or other important issues.

### ***Tuition Waiver Coordinator***

can help you with the Tuition Waiver process with each post-secondary institute.

### ***Employment Facilitator***

can help you develop an action plan to support you towards employment.

### ***Financial Counseling***

is offered one on one or through a variety of workshops including Budgeting and Financial Literacy

To find out more about Building Futures, contact:

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**John Finkbeiner**

Youth Service Navigator

Ph. 204-982-6126, [johnf@cmhawpg.mb.ca](mailto:johnf@cmhawpg.mb.ca)

**Charity Leonard**

Tuition Waiver Coordinator

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