

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

### The Lifelong Learner Scholarship

The Lifelong Learner Scholarship will be awarded annually to one student transitioning to a new career or seeking to upgrade their skills for their current profession. This is not intended for recent secondary school graduates beginning their post-secondary education.

The recipient will be awarded a monetary reward of up to \$5,000.

#### The Applicant:

- Resides, studies, or works within the geographic area of the Archdiocese of Toronto
- Is in good academic standing
- Is an individual seeking continuing education in the pursuit of a second career or upgrading skills
- Must be endorsed by a teacher, an agency, or a community partner whose values align with those of CCAT.

#### Submission Documentation Checklist

Apply via email, including the following:

- A submission paper (2 pages maximum) or short video (5 mins maximum) outlining why you are pursuing a second career or upgrading your skills in your chosen field of study and the impact you hope to have on your community.
- Proof of acceptance into your program with an accredited institution.
- Two** letters of reference (e.g., academic, community involvement) to be submitted directly to Catholic Charities by your reference provider via this link: [Catholic Charities Scholarship Reference Form – 2026 – Fill out form](#) or by scanning this QR Code.
- Applicants will complete the attached declaration, attesting to the authenticity of their application. *Refer to Attachment 1 for the Attestation*
- Completed application to be submitted to Catholic Charities by April 30<sup>th</sup> to [info@ccat.ca](mailto:info@ccat.ca) with the subject line: **Application for the Lifelong Learner Scholarship.**

Catholic Charities Scholarship  
Reference Form – 2026



### **Submission Process**

- These applications will be reviewed by the Scholarships and Awards Committee of the Catholic Charities Board of Directors to determine the qualified candidates for each scholarship between the months of June and July.
- The Committee will shortlist at least two qualified candidates for the scholarship and will schedule an interview with each candidate if needed.
- The Committee will make the final selection of the recipient for the scholarship and endorse the successful candidates to the CCAT Board by the third Thursday of September.
- Upon receiving a scholarship administered by CCAT, students will be ineligible to reapply for five years.

### **Recognition**

- The successful candidates will be informed by September 30<sup>th</sup> and will be invited to attend an award ceremony at a date determined by Catholic Charities, which may be photographed, recorded, and posted on CCAT social media platforms and newsletter.
- The list of awardees and their contributions will be posted on CCAT social media platforms.
- A brief write-up on each awardee and service to the community will be published on the CCAT website and CCAT Newsletter.

### **Administrative Considerations:**

Frequency:

Annually

Deadline for Application Submission:

April 30<sup>th</sup>

Contact:

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**Attachment 1**

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION – ATTESTATION FORM**

The undersigned applicant hereby certifies that all material submitted to support their scholarship application is accurate and true to the best of their knowledge.

The undersigned also acknowledges that the submission of false information and/or falsified/plagiarized materials will result in their disqualification and the forfeiture of any funds awarded.

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_