



2018 Sazio Scholarship Fund Guidelines

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We are grateful to Mrs. Rose Sazio and her Family for their generous donation to establish this Scholarship Fund.

Who can apply to the Sazio Scholarship Fund?

The Ralph and Rose Sazio Scholarship Fund supports people who are current or former clients of the Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton and who are pursuing post-secondary education and/or training. This includes people aged 18 and older whose families are currently receiving service.

How many Scholarships are available and how much support do they provide?

There is 1 multi-year scholarship awarded each year. The Scholarship provides \$2,000 per year for up to 4 years, depending on the individual's program of study or training.

When is the deadline for Scholarship applications?

The Scholarship is awarded once per year. The **2018 application deadline is Monday, May 7 at 4:30 pm**. Funding decisions are made and communicated to applicants in May. The Scholarship is awarded at our Annual General Meeting, which is on Monday, June 18.

How would I apply for the Scholarship?

The application can be found on the [CCASH website](#) under the Resources / Bursaries and scholarships menu heading. You should review it well in advance of the application deadline. If you have any questions or concerns, contact Lisa Hostein at 905-525-2012 x3256. You can also speak to your worker for guidance. It is a good idea to let your worker know if you are applying for a bursary, as your worker could be contacted during the review phase for additional information.

Applications must be submitted to CCASH by Monday, May 7 at 4:30 pm via the CCASH website. All questions must be answered. Late applications will not be considered. Incomplete applications may not be considered.



How are applications reviewed?

Applications are reviewed by a team of CCASH staff who bring a range of perspectives to the review process. Your worker will not be on the Review Team, but the team may consult with your worker and other agency staff as needed to gain a more complete picture of your application

The Review Team will consider and compare the following aspects of each application when making its funding decisions:

- eligibility and completeness of the application
- outcomes of the proposed program of study and how well they fit with the applicant's long-term objectives
- demonstrated ability to set and meet goals
- financial need.

When will I find out if my application is successful?

All funding decisions are communicated to applicants and their workers during May.

If my application is successful, what then?

If your application is successful, you will be asked to approve a short bio that can be included in the Awards Program that will be distributed at the Annual General Meeting. You will be expected to attend the Annual General Meeting on June 18 to accept your bursary and receive your cheque, and will be asked to say a few words of thanks to the audience, which numbers about 30 people. Your family and close friends are welcome to attend with you. You can ask your worker for assistance in preparing your brief comments.

You will also be required to sign a letter of understanding that highlights the requirements of ongoing eligibility and explains how funds will be disbursed over time.

Can I apply again for another bursary the following year?

Yes, you can apply for another bursary to support multi-year activities, or to support a new life-enhancing activity. The next application deadline will be in the spring of 2019.

What if my plans change and I don't pursue the activity that I received the Scholarship for?

If your plans change, you must contact Lisa Hostein at 905-525-2012 x3256 to let her know about the change. If you don't, you may not be allowed to submit another funding application in the future.

If I have questions, who should I contact?

You can contact Lisa Hostein at 905-525-2012 x3256.

