Youth Bursary Program

The Citizens Foundation, Canada (TCF Canada) is a CRA registered charity with the objective of supporting and increasing access to quality education for underprivileged children, in Pakistan and in Canada through the Youth Bursary Program, with the goal of breaking the poverty cycle and increasing personal to global awareness.

TCF Canada commenced the bursary program as of September 2022. We are offering students $4000 Canadian dollars per academic school year, starting with their first year of post-secondary education, in a Canadian institution. The pre-requisites to receiving our bursary is the approval of the applicant, by the provincial student aid program, in the province they reside (Ontario: OSAP, Alberta: Student Aid Alberta, etc.). This is a needs-based program. Priority will be given to students who demonstrate a high level of financial need, based on household income and assets for their parents and/or guardians.

Other requisites for the program are:

• All applicants must have one of the following: Canadian Citizenship/ Permanent Residency/ Landed Protected Persons (Refugees) Status
• Applicants should have graduated from high school by June of the year, of their first enrollment in a post-secondary institution (i.e. accredited colleges, universities, and polytechnic institutions within Canada).
• Applicants are required to complete and submit a full application, with accurate documentation proving their socio-economic status.
• Applicants must also apply and obtain approval from the provincial student aid program. This application can be undertaken in parallel with your bursary application to TCF Canada; however, we require the provincial programs to approve you, in order for your application to be considered by TCF Canada.

Successful applicants are required to adhere to the following:

• Maintain a full-time student status at their enrolled institution, for a minimum of a one-year program.
• Participate in a one-time progress meeting with the TCF Canada Youth Bursary Program Selection Committee, if requested.

The following persons are ineligible to apply for financial aid with TCF Canada:

• Any immediate family member of a TCF Canada board member, staff, or officer, or the TCF Canada Youth Bursary Program Selection Committee.
• Any student who has completed any post-secondary education before September 2022.
• Any student who has not received approval from the provincial financial aid program, in which they reside, prior to the start of the Fall 2022 semester.

For further information, please visit https://tcfcanada.org/bursaries-for-canadian-youth/. Any questions regarding the eligibility or process can be directed to YBP@tcfcanada.org.

To learn more about the Youth Bursary Program and other TCF Canada programs, please visit www.tcfcanada.org