



Black Foundation of Community Networks
6th Annual BFCN Scholarship

Thank you for showing interest in applying for the 2017/2018 6th Annual Black Foundation of Community Networks (BFCN) Scholarship. The BFCN scholarship program was created to recognize outstanding Black students with bright futures as upcoming leaders and dreamers in their communities. This year, BFCN will be awarding two \$1000 scholarships to qualifying students. The first recipient will be a student graduating from secondary school or CEGEP who will be attending an accredited Canadian University or College in September 2017. The second recipient will be a student who is currently pursuing post-secondary studies at an accredited Canadian University or College in September 2017.

Selection Criteria

- Must identify as a Black student
- Must be graduating high school or CEGEP in June 2017 and attending an accredited Canadian post-secondary institution in September 2017 on a full-time basis **OR** must be currently enrolled in an accredited Canadian post-secondary institution on a full-time basis
- Must have an 80% or higher academic average (for students graduating from secondary school institutions) **OR** must have a 3.0 GPA or higher (for students currently attending post-secondary school institutions)
- Demonstrates financial need, community involvement, and leadership qualities
- Successful candidates must participate in and promote the BFCN #ReadToLead program, an annual reading campaign in March to celebrate Black authors
- Successful candidates must promote the BFCN Scholarship Directory within their networks

How to Apply

- Complete the application package including all supporting documents
- Submit two reference letters
 - One from a teacher at your high school or CEGEP or post-secondary institution
 - One from a community organization/member
- Mail the package to BFCN by **July 31st 2017** (See address below)

Selection

Award recipients will be selected by the BFCN Scholarship Committee based on the above criteria. The final recipients will be announced in the fall of 2017 and will be presented at our 8th Annual BFCN Dinner and Dance Fundraiser on **February 24th 2018**. Application packages along with all supporting documents must be received or postmarked no later than **July 31st 2017**. E-mail or fax applications will NOT be accepted. Please send all packages to the following address:

Attn: Scholarship Committee
BFCN Scholarship Program
6 - 6150 Highway 7
Suite 431
Woodbridge, Ontario
L4H 0R6



Application Form 2017/2018

PART A

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Gender: _____ Date of Birth: (YYYY/MM/DD) _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Citizenship Status: Canadian Citizen Permanent Resident Other _____

How did you hear about this scholarship? Check all that apply:

1. [BFCN Scholarship Directory](#)
2. BFCN Website: www.bfcn.ca
3. BFCN Social Media ([Facebook](#) OR [Twitter](#))
4. [Friday Focus](#)
5. School: _____
6. Other: _____

PART B

PROGRAM OF STUDY

Name of Institution: _____

Faculty: _____ Program: _____

Address of Institution: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

(Expected) Start Date: _____ (Expected) Date of Completion: _____

Years of Program of Study: _____

Please provide proof of acceptance and/or enrollment to an accredited Canadian University or College with your application.

**EDUCATIONAL HISTORY**

Name of High School or CEGEP: _____

Address of Institution: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Certificate or Diploma Completed: _____

Date of Attendance: From: _____ To: _____ GPA/Average: _____

*Please provide an up-to-date official transcript with your application.***PART C****EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

Name of Employer/Organization: _____

Position: _____ Length of Employment: _____

Reference Name: _____

Reference Phone Number: _____

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Reference Phone Number: _____

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Reference Phone Number: _____



PART D

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Activity	Position	Year(s) Involved	Hours Involved

**VOLUNTEER AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

Year(s) Involved	Hours Involved	Organization:
		Activity:
		Reference Name:
		Reference Number:
Year(s) Involved	Hours Involved	Organization:
		Activity:
		Reference Name:
		Reference Number:
Year(s) Involved	Hours Involved	Organization:
		Activity:
		Reference Name:
		Reference Number:
Year(s) Involved	Hours Involved	Organization:
		Activity:
		Reference Name:
		Reference Number:



3. Black communities have been historically impacted by inequalities such as racism, poverty, lack of resources, lack of representation and other systemic barriers. What are some of your ideas for strengthening Black communities so that we can collectively continue to heal, to grow and to excel? (500 words)



PART F

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

i) REFERENCES

Please include two sealed reference letters from a teacher at your school AND from an organization where you have volunteered. Letters from teachers and community organizations should be printed on letterhead.

Academic Reference

Reference's Name: _____

Reference's Number: _____

Community Reference

Reference's Name: _____

Reference's Number: _____

ii) OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

Please include an up-to-date official transcript from your high school or CEGEP or post-secondary institution.

iii) PROOF OF ACCEPTANCE/ENROLLMENT

Please provide proof that you have been accepted to OR are enrolled in an accredited Canadian University or College. A photocopy of the original document is sufficient.

iv) PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPH

Please include a passport size head shot photograph to be used in BFCN promotional material if you are selected as a recipient.



I hereby declare that the information I am submitting in support of my application for the 2017/2018 BFCN 6th Annual Scholarship is, to the best of my knowledge, correct and complete. I understand that all of the documents I have submitted with this application will not be returned to me.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Thank you very much for applying for the 6th Annual BFCN Scholarship. We wish you the best of luck! BFCN has also created an annual Scholarship Directory which is available online [here](#). Please view it for more scholarships available to students like yourself! For any further information regarding BFCN, the Scholarship Program or the Scholarship Directory, please like our page on [Facebook](#), follow us on [Twitter](#) or contact BFCN at:

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www.bfcn.ca

Twitter: [@BFCN2011](#)

Facebook: [BFCN - Black Foundation of Community Networks](#)

Together we can achieve success, one student, one adult, one family at a time.