

### **Introduction blurb:**

Every year, PSF's Stewardship Community Bursary program awards multiple bursaries, each worth \$2,500, to support students in B.C. and the Yukon with a passion for salmon conservation and restoration. By alleviating financial barriers, we aim to foster the next generation of salmon stewards dedicated to advancing salmon recovery.

Successful applicants are chosen based on an essay detailing their chosen field of study and need for financial support to pursue further education. Volunteer experience with a stewardship group is not mandatory, but preference will be given to applicants with it included.

Applicants must be full time students in good standing in **at least second year** of an accredited program that leads to a career supporting Pacific Salmon. Please check the eligibility criteria on the program page before applying. **The application window is open August 1 to October 30.**

If you have any issues or questions, please contact Rene Martins – [rmartins@psf.ca](mailto:rmartins@psf.ca)

### **Questions:**

#### **Identification**

- First and Last Name
- Mailing Address - please include your full address including postal code
- Phone Number
- Email Address
- Student Number

#### **Education**

- Please name which university or college you attend.
- Please indicate your current year of enrollment. Note that you must be in at least your second year of the program to be eligible to apply.
- What program are you enrolled in? Programs related to salmon, fish, conservation, resource management, or marine biology are preferred.
- Please upload your transcripts. Official copies are preferred, but we understand time constraints and will also accept unofficial versions if necessary.

#### **Eligibility**

- What is your status in Canada?
  - o Options are: Citizen, Permanent Resident, Other.

#### **Demonstration of financial need**

- BC Student Assistance Funding (BCSAF) Application Number (If applicable, please attach a copy of your application, budget, AND any response from BCSAF. If not, please attach your annual budget below.)
- Budget - Please attach your annual budget below. You can use Excel, Word, or any tool you are comfortable with. Please include incoming and outgoing costs.

**Demonstration of interest & commitment**

- Briefly share in 150 words or less, the relevant organizations you've volunteered/worked with, the area (Lower Fraser or Outside Lower Fraser), the duties you performed, and the timeframe (are you currently volunteering or within the last year, 1 year ago, 2 or more years ago).
- Please attach a letter of support/confirmation from your stewardship groups (optional)

**Personal essay**

- Why are you a great candidate for this bursary? In 500 words or less, introduce yourself to the committee and share your interest for Pacific salmon, explaining how it has led to your choice of study and work/volunteer activities. Additionally, describe your career goals and aspirations related to salmon stewardship.

**Other**

- How did you hear about the bursary?

Incomplete applications with missing attachments will be automatically rejected. Please check that all attachments are included:

- Click all that apply: budget, transcripts, optional: stewardship support letter.

I confirm that all the above information is correct and completed to the best of my knowledge.