

## **Big Brothers Big Sisters of Pictou County #NSStrong Bursary**

#### Description

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Pictou County is a charitable organization that believes in the value and values of mentoring. We provide a variety of mentoring programs for children and youth between the ages of 6-18 that can be life changing.

Big Brothers Big Sisters understand the importance of relationships and mentoring is the centre of our philosophy.

In April 2020 Nova Scotia experienced a tragedy where 22 people were killed in the deadliest shooting in Canadian history. During the time following the tragedy, Nova Scotia pulled together as it does and supported each other through the close relationships that Nova Scotians have, highlighting as much positivity as possible. The hashtag #NSStrong became a representation for the caring people of Nova Scotia. Big Brothers Big Sisters wanted to honor those lost by offering a community bursary in their memory.

Amount of Bursary: \$500

Number of Awards: one

#### **Bursary Criteria**

- 1. The recipient is to be a deserving student who currently resides in Pictou County
- 2. The recipient will be attending an educational institution in the fall of the year the bursary is awarded, in a human service field of studies (human services, child and youth studies).
- 3. Applicants may be required to show evidence of acceptance in an educational institution and current income.

- 4. The applicant will demonstrate they have a financial need and satisfactory academic achievement.
- 5. The applicant will demonstrate they have been a mentor and have made a positive impact in their school community in a "non-fundraising" capacity.

#### **Selection Committee**

- 1. The Selection Committee will be made up of staff and volunteers of Big Brothers of Pictou County, including the Executive Director, the Program Manager, and one member from the board of directors or community.
- 2. Members of the Selection Committee cannot screen an applicant to whom they are related.

#### **Selection Procedure**

- 1. The attached Application Form will be used. (include a resume if you have one)
- 2. Applications by the eligible candidates will be forwarded to the Selection Committee.
- 3. Selection will take place once per year in May/June (Application deadline June 17th).
- 4. The Selection Committee will review and approve applications in June.
- 5. Distribution of funds will be paid directly to the recipient.
- 6. The applicant will provide a copy of an acceptance into eligible program.
- 7. The applicant will provide a copy of the transcript of marks.
- 8. Applicants must agree to a photo and media release.
- 9. Applications will be reviewed based on a sliding point value for each area:
  - Volunteer/Community Work 10 points
  - Financial Need 10 points
  - References 10 points
  - High school Transcript 10 point

#### **Contact:**

Executive Director Big Brothers Big Sisters of Pictou County P.O. Box 781 323 MacGregor St. New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 5G2 902-752-6260(P) bigbrothers@bellaliant.com

\*Include copy of application, resume, copy of acceptance into eligible program, transcript, and 2 letters of reference



# **Big Brothers Big Sisters of Pictou County #NSStrong Bursary Application**

## Scoring Sheet (Internal Use Only)

Personal Information	
Name	
Address	
Postal Code	
Telephone	
Birthdate	
Mother's Name	
Occupation/Employer	
Father's Name	
Occupation/Employer	
Name and Ages of	
Siblings	

What school will you be attending that the funds will go towards?

Does the applicant participate in extra-curricular activities, volunteering, community work (please list)	
Please tell us about your request. What are your plans with the funds.	

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### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

What amount are you able to contribute to			
your education?			
Total amount of last year's income			
Total amount of last year's family income			
Please list any other sources you			
are receiving support for your education?			
How would you rate your need (circle)	Extreme	Great	Moderate
Can you agree to a photo and media release?	Yes	No	

Please tell us in 100	
words or less why we	
should choose your	
application.	

Date:	Parent/Guardian Signature:
Date:	Applicant's Signature:

Date:	Applicant's Signature:	
OFFICE USE ONLY		
Approval Date:	Amount Approved:	
Approval Date.	Amount Approved.	
Authorized By:		