



GTSWCA
Greater Toronto Sewer & Watermain
Contractors Association

MEMBER BULLETIN

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GTSWCA Scholarships – Now Accepting Applications

The Greater Toronto Sewer and Watermain Contractors' Association (GTSWCA) 2018 scholarship program is now accepting applications. The intent of this program is to help students meet the demand of rising tuition rates. **To promote this program, we would ask that you share this bulletin and application package with your company employees.**

In order to be eligible, an applicant must be enrolled in a **university, college, or trade school program** in September 2018 that could translate into work in the sewer and watermain industry. A (non-exclusive) list of eligible programs of study is included in the attached application document as an example. The objective of this program is to allow for a wide group of potential applicants.

For the 2018 year, ten (10) scholarships are available in the following amounts:

- One (1) scholarship in the amount of \$10,000;
- Five (5) scholarships in the amount of \$5,000; and,
- Four (4) scholarships in the amount of \$2,500.

For those interested in applying, please fill out the attached application form and submit all of the required materials **by no later than Friday, August 24, 2018 at 11:59 pm**. Details and requirements are included in the attached document.

If you have any questions about the GTSWCA scholarship program, please contact Patrick McManus (905-629-7766 ext. 222 or patrick.mcmanus@oswca.org).



Greater Toronto Sewer and Watermain Contractors' Association Scholarship

The Greater Toronto Sewer and Watermain Contractors' Association (GTSWCA) is a non-profit organization of contractors, suppliers, manufacturers, and consulting engineers for the sewer and watermain construction industry in the Greater Toronto Area. One of its mandates is to promote education and encourage the next generation of workers to pursue careers in the sewer and watermain industry.

In order to accomplish this goal, the GTSWCA offers a scholarship program to help qualified applicants meet the demand of rising tuition. In 2018, the GTSWCA will provide 10 scholarships in the following amounts:

- One (1) scholarship in the amount of \$10,000;
- Five (5) scholarships in the amount of \$5,000; and
- Four (4) scholarships in the amount of \$2,500

In order to be considered, an applicant must be enrolled in a university, college, or trade school program that could translate into work in the sewer and watermain industry. Such programs could include (but are not exclusive to) any one of the following (or related) programs of study:

- Business Administration;
- Engineering (Civil, Mechanical, Interdisciplinary, CET)
- Law (Contract, Administrative, Labour)
- Contract/Construction Management
- Construction Technician
- Construction Craft Worker
- Construction Millwright
- General Carpenter
- Construction Trade School program

Those interested in applying for scholarship consideration must be Canadian residents enrolled in an accredited Canadian college, university, or trade school, with strong academic standing.

Terms and Conditions of this Scholarship

By submitting an entry to the GTSWCA Scholarship, I transfer all rights and ownership of the submitted content to GTSWCA, regardless of whether my entry is selected as a winner. I understand that if I am the recipient of this award, my name, program, and the



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name of the award may be used for promotional purposes which includes GTSWCA publications, website, and/or the use by the media in connection with the printing or broadcast of the scholarship award.

Selection of a winning submission is entirely at the discretion of the GTSWCA selection panel. Winners will be contacted by GTSWCA via the email address used for submission. Winners will be confirmed only after providing proof of enrollment in the form of a copy of a tuition bill or letter of proof from the accredited Canadian college, university or trade school at which the winner is enrolled. Upon confirmation of enrollment, winners will be publicly announced by the GTSWCA, and GTSWCA will mail the winners their cheques.

I hereby make an application for an award and I declare that the information contained within my application package is complete and true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that the GTSWCA reserves the right to refuse assistance to any applicant who has knowingly made false statements on his/her application or is not in good academic standing when they are to receive the monies.

Signature of applicant: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____



GTSWCA Scholarship – Governing Rules

Through its scholarship program, the Greater Toronto Sewer and Watermain Contractors' Association (GTSWCA) confirms its belief that education is an effective and universal means of improving the quality of life. Through this financial assistance, we seek to encourage children of employees who work for a GTSWCA member company to pursue a post-secondary education or skills training.

Eligibility

All students enrolled in a University, College or Trades School program in Canada as of September 2018 are eligible to apply.

Applications and Administration

The program is administered by the GTSWCA staff. Applications, as well as the following information, must be provided to the GTSWCA by **August 24, 2018** at 11:59 pm EST.

Information to be provided:

1. A signed copy of the terms of scholarship;
2. A completed application form, including the short-essay component;
3. A reference letter from a previous employer or educator; and
4. A copy of the most recent transcript or official document

All application information is to be emailed to info@gtswca.org.

Or mailed to: Greater Toronto Sewer and Watermain Contractor's Association
c/o Patrick McManus
5045 Orbitor Drive, Unit 12, Suite 300
Mississauga, Ontario L4W 4Y4

Selection Committee

The GTSWCA will establish a three-person selection committee consisting of: 1) the GTSWCA Executive Director; 2) a lawyer currently under the employ of the GTSWCA; and, 3) an auditor currently under the employ of the GTSWCA.



The selection committee will have responsibility to select the winning candidates. The committee will review eligible applications and take into account the following criteria in its selection:

1. Scholastic achievement;
2. Letter of recommendation;
3. Candidate's essay response;
4. Previous extra-curricular school and work experience; and,
5. Plans for future career or profession.

The committee's decisions will be communicated to the winning candidates in writing by September 14, 2018. Recipients must communicate their acceptance or refusal within fifteen (15) days following reception of this notice.

Once the candidate has been notified of their selection, they must present the committee with a confirmation of university admission within three (3) weeks of notification.

Value of Scholarship

In 2018, the GTSWCA will provide scholarships in the following amounts:

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Method of Payment

Payment of the scholarship is made in one single payment for the full value of the scholarship. Payment will be made via cheque.



SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION FORM

1. Name (surname first) _____
2. Permanent address _____
3. Telephone number _____
4. Date and place of birth _____
5. Name of parent or guardian _____
6. Relationship to applicant _____
7. Has your parent or guardian ever worked for a GTSWCA member company? Y / N
8. Position of parent or guardian with the company or if previously employed, last position was:
 Presently employed Previously Employed
 Position _____
 Company _____
 Location _____

If additional space is required to answer any of the following questions, please include on a separate sheet.

9. Describe your scholastic honors, awards or other achievements.
10. Describe your extracurricular activities (including jobs) and interests.
11. Name and address of the University or College you plan to attend, or are attending.



12. Date you entered or plan to enter this college or university.

13. Proposed course of study

14. Degree sought

Please answer question 15 on a separate sheet.

15. The GTSWCA advocates on a number of issues on behalf of our member companies. Pick one issue from the list and draft a short essay (1000 words or less) on how the issue impacts the sewers and watermains sector of the construction industry.

- The importance of the changes to the Construction Lien Act.
- How do Community Benefit Agreements (also known as Social Procurement Programs) impact the construction industry?
- Why do municipalities need to move toward full cost recovery for their water, sewer, and stormwater infrastructure?
- What are the impacts of combined-sewer overflows and how do they fit into the government's climate change mitigation agenda?
- How can the Ontario College of Trades be reformed to better fit with industry needs?
- A relevant issue of your determining

Signature of applicant: _____

Signature of parent or guardian: _____

Date: _____