

JUDY BOURNE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION

ABOUT MDS

M'akola Development Services (MDS) is a professional development consulting firm committed to supporting vibrant, diverse communities in British Columbia. Our clients span the entire province, and our work involves planning, developing, and operating high-density, multi-family affordable housing projects for public, private, and non-profit clients. MDS is the partner organization of M'akola Housing Society.

ABOUT JUDY BOURNE

This scholarship is in memory of Judy Bourne, an inspirational woman of Cree Ancestry. Judy was a devoted wife and mother of six children who was well known for her athletic and coaching abilities, particularly as a nationally and internationally recognized volleyball coach.

Judy taught for many years in a variety of subjects at various grade levels. From 1984-1989, she was the Executive Director of M'akola Housing Society, a society responsible for developing urban Indigenous housing on Vancouver Island. Under her guidance, the society became a model for housing projects across Canada. During her tenure she (along with well-known artist Roy Henry Vickers) was chosen by the Aboriginal Nations Education Department as a role model for her contribution to the Indigenous Communities of this area.

BRITISH COLUMBIA REGIONS

Twelve scholarships will be awarded over **six regions** to Indigenous students enrolled in Grade 12 who plan to attend a recognized post-secondary institution or training centre. Each scholarship will be in the amount of **\$2,500**.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE

- Students Indigenous to Canada living in British Columbia
- Graduating Grade 12 student planning to enroll in a full-time post-secondary institution

Demonstrated financial need, as well as life experiences, challenges, and triumphs will be taken into consideration.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

- **What qualifies as a post secondary institution or training centre?** An institution or training centre that is accredited by the province of British Columbia. A list can be found on the government of BC website.
- **If it is a Multi-Year/Term Program can students apply for the future Year/Term? Or if they have already enrolled, could they retroactively apply for the M'akola scholarship?** The program is intended for future use only and can be applied towards a new enrollment or the next year of a multi-year course.
- **If a student is successful in securing a M'akola scholarship from us, and are in a multi-year program, can they reapply for each year?** Winners of M'akola scholarships may only apply once.
- **If a student was unsuccessful in securing a M'akola scholarship, can they reapply?** Yes, all students who have yet to obtain a M'akola scholarship are encouraged to apply again.

REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY

Please ensure you include all the following when applying. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

- Completed Application Form
- Cover Letter, describing the following:
 - Your future plans and how your chosen course/program will support them.
 - Why you feel you are a potential candidate for this award, highlighting examples of your commitment to your community.
 - Your experience as an Indigenous person and how that has helped shape your decision to attend school.
- Reference Letter
 - From school counselor, administrator, teacher, or community member.
- Current Transcript
- Proof of Enrollment in a Full-time Post Secondary Institution or Training Centre
 - A copy of your class schedule, course contract, or a letter of acceptance. Your name should be clearly shown.
- Proof of BC Residency, examples:
 - BC Drivers Licence, BC Identity Card, BC Services Card, a recent BC Hydro Bill (in your name and address), or any recent BC Government issued letter (in your name and address).
- Completed Void Cheque/Direct Deposit Form
 - See the last page of this document.
 - *If a cheque is preferred, please let us know. This option will take longer to receive.*

Note: Scholarships must be claimed within 3 months of date awarded.

HOW TO APPLY

1. Obtain an application form (<http://makola.bc.ca/>, <http://makoladevelopment.com/>, or for a paper copy see the address below.
2. Complete and sign the application, and ensure you include:
 - Ensure you have attached all documents from the *Requirements to Apply* section.
3. Email (preferred), snail-mail, fax, or deliver your application in person to:

Email: awards@makoladev.com

Attention: Scholarship Committee
M'akola Development Services
107-731 Station Avenue
Victoria, BC V9B 5N6

Telephone: (778) 265-7589

Fax: (250) 590-0248

4. Once all applications have been reviewed, all applicants will be notified via email.
Awarded recipients will be sent additional information about EFT or cheque mailing procedures.

DEADLINE

Please submit your application by **4:30PM on MAY 15, 2026**. Any applications submitted after the deadline, will not be considered. Applicants are encouraged to reapply the following year, if appropriate.



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CONTACT INFORMATION

Full Name: _____

Birthdate: _____
(Month / Day / Year)

Email: _____

Region: _____
(See Map Below)

Cell Number: _____

Alternate: _____

Mailing Address: _____
(Street Address / City / Postal Code)

Name of Parent/Guardian (if Under 19): _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Number: _____

Self Identity Declaration

Status – Band Affiliation: _____

Non-Status

Metis

Inuit

Not Indigenous

REGIONS

- FRASER VALLEY
- KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY
- METRO
- VANCOUVER ISLAND
- NORTHERN
- THOMPSON-OKANAGAN



INSTITUTION & FINANCES WHILE IN SCHOOL

Program Name: _____

Institution: _____

Length of Program: _____

Full-Time Part-Time

Monthly Incoming during course: _____

Monthly Rent/Mortgage: _____

Source of Income: _____

Cost of Entire Program: _____

List any additional costs that may be associated with your program:

PREVIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION

School Name: _____

City: _____

Current Grade/Year: _____

Graduation Year & Month: _____

List of courses taken this school year (if applicable):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

IDENTIFYING BARRIERS

FINANCIAL

Explain any financial barriers to attending school:

How many children under 19 are in your home, including yourself if applicable? _____

Do you have dependents? Yes No

Are you from a single parent/single income earning household? Yes No

Have you secured any funding for the upcoming enrollment period from other sources? Yes No
(i.e., band funding or scholarships?)

If yes, what is the amount of funding you have secured? _____

PERSONAL/FAMILY

What challenges have you faced, or will you face, in your decision to pursue post secondary education?

Are you the first person in your family to attend post-secondary education? Yes No

Do you identify as a person with a disability? Yes No

If yes, please provide details: _____

Are you a current or former M'akola Housing Society tenant? Yes No

If no, are you a current or former tenant of another affordable housing provider? Yes No

RELOCATING

Do you have to move to a new city/community to attend school? Yes No

If yes, how far is the distance? _____

What are some challenges financial or personal for relocating?

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS/INFORMATION

List any relevant community involvement you have had in the last three years (e.g., organizations, clubs, teams, or social events). You can include work experience/jobs or volunteer work you have had.

What plans do you have when you graduate from post secondary?

How do you hope to change your life, your family's life, or your community?

Give an example of an Indigenous person who had a positive influence on your life and explain why.

CLOSURE

It is the responsibility of each candidate to ensure their application is complete, and that all required information, documents, and letters are enclosed. Incomplete applications will not be considered. A reminder to use the checklist in the *Requirements to Apply* section to confirm.

Please note that recipients receive funds upon formal acceptance at a post-secondary institution.

By signing below, I understand if I am a recipient of this award, my name will be on the M'akola website for one year.

Signature of Applicant

Date

DIRECT DEPOSIT ENROLLMENT FORM

M'akola Development Services has switched from cheques to direct deposit for scholarship and bursary recipients. All direct deposit payments will be accompanied by email confirmation and an electronic cheque stub.

Please complete steps 1-4, below, **and** be sure to include:

- A Void Cheque or Direct Deposit Form, from your bank
- The email address you wish to have payment confirmations sent to.

For any questions regarding the completion of this form, please email awards@makoladev.com.

All information supplied on this form is kept confidential and does not permit M'akola Development Services access to other banking information or accounts for any purpose other than making deposits.

1. Complete table below **(Please Print Clearly)**:

Name:	
Address:	
Email Address for Payment Notification:	
Name of Bank:	
Bank Address:	

2. Attach a void cheque or direct deposit form from your bank.
3. Signature:

Name (Please Print)	Signature	Date

4. Please forward this form to awards@makoladev.com