BEYOND BANK GROW A START SCHOLARSHIP 2019-2021 GUIDELINES

What is the Beyond Bank Grow a Star Scholarship?
The “Grow a Star Beyond Bank Scholarship” will encourage generational change by empowering young people from low income families to follow their academic, sporting or artistic dreams. Beyond Bank will provide $75,000 over three years to fund scholarships valued up to $2000.

Scholarships are open to young people aged between 10 and 18 living in Compass Housing properties throughout New South Wales.

Who is eligible to apply?
Any young person who:

• Is aged between 10 and 18 years of age living in Community or Social housing properties in NSW.
• Is attending school on a regular basis
• Or is engaged in a traineeship or other studies
• Has a genuine sporting, educational or artistic opportunity

How to apply

• Complete the application form attached at the end of these guidelines.
• Ensure you or your parent/guardian/carer (if under 18 years) complete the declaration and sign the application form
• Ensure you have evidence of your enrolment in your respective school or TAFE and sporting opportunity if asked to produce it by the Grow a Star Coordinator
• Submit your application to:

Mail:
Grow A Star Program
Beyond Bank Grow a Star Scholarship
PO Box 967, Hamilton NSW 2303

Or
Email to: info@growastar.com.au

Only email applications saved in PDF form will be accepted.
What happens to my application once it is submitted?
Once the application has been received it will be assessed against the eligibility criteria then proceed to the next stage of the assessment.

Once eligibility has been confirmed you will be sent a letter or email confirming receipt of your application. You will be given an application reference number. If you have any inquiries regarding your application from this point, you must use the reference number.

Please note: Your application will not be considered if it illegible or it has been completed in another language other than English.

How is my application assessed?
Once your application has been received you will be contacted by the Grow a Star Coordinator and then given the opportunity to discuss your application further.

Your application will be assessed against the eligibility criteria and priority will be given to applications that have demonstrated best that they are deserved recipients of the scholarships.

A copy of the eligibility checklist and recommendation will be sent to the project manager and a decision on the application will be made. The decision will be made on the strength of how the applicant has demonstrated his/her vulnerability and disadvantages against other applications and how this scholarship will benefit them in their future.

Grow A Star program reserves the right, at any time, to verify the validity of applications and applicants and to disqualify any applicant who submits an application that is not in accordance with these Terms and Conditions or who tampers with the application process in any manner.

If for any reason the Scholarship program is not capable of running as planned, including but not limited to fraud or causes beyond the control of the Grow A Star program or anything which corrupts or affects the administration, security, fairness, integrity or proper conduct of the Youth Scholarship program, Grow A Star reserves the right in their sole discretion to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the scholarship.

By submitting an application, applicants consent to Grow A Star using and disclosing the information provided for the purposes of conducting the Scholarship program, awarding the Scholarships and any other matter connected to or incidental to the Youth Scholarship program.

How will I know the outcome of my application?
The Grow A Star Program will email all successful applicants with full information about their scholarship, including the ($) amount of funding received, program reporting requirements and terms and conditions.

In addition, we will be asking successful applicants to sign a media release document to assist in supporting the program with photos and information for media releases.
Confidentiality
We respect the confidentiality of any information that you disclose or provide to us on a confidential basis that directly relates to the business activities of an organization.

Where to get Information
Website: www.compasshousing.org

Or contact the Grow a Star Program Coordinator
Ph: 1300 333 733
Email: info@growastar.com.au
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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM

Please submit the completed form to:

The Program Coordinator, Grow A Star Email: info@growastar.com.au Post: PO Box 967, Hamilton NSW 2303

If you have any questions regarding the process, please do not hesitate to contact the Grow A Star Coordinator at 1300 333 733.

All components of the referral & expression of interest form must be completed before being processed.

PLEASE NOTE: SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM DOES NOT GUARANTEE ACCEPTANCE INTO THE PROGRAM.

To enable us to assess whether the young person is eligible for the Scholarship program, we require some personal information. This information will be treated in confidence and will not be disclosed to any other parties.

Referrer’s details: __________________________ Date: ________________

Name: __________________________________________________________________________

Organisation/Service: __________________________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________________

Phone: __________________________________________________________________________

Email: __________________________________________________________________________
Young Person’s details:

Name: ____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________

DOB: ___________________________       Gender: ___________________________

Country of Birth: ____________________________________________

School & Year: ____________________________________________

Employed: 
Yes  No   If yes please supply details: ____________________________

Disability: 
Yes  No   If yes please supply details: ____________________________

Does the young person identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
Yes  No

Does the young person reside in:

☐ Public Housing
☐ Compass Housing
☐ Community Housing (other)

Has the young person agreed to this referral?
Yes  No
Parent/Guardian/Care giver details:
Name: ____________________________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________________
Phone: ____________________________________________________________________________
Email: ____________________________________________________________________________

Preferred method of Contact:
Phone                Email                SMS/Text                Letter(mail)

Has the applicant previously received a Grow A Star Scholarship?
Yes    No
If yes, please provide year: _______________________

Has the applicant received any other funded scholarship?
Yes    No
If yes, please provide details: __________________________________________________________
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Why do you require the assistance of the Beyond Bank Scholarship? (250 WORD MAX)

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If you are successful in obtaining a scholarship, how will the funds assist you?
(EXAMPLE REGISTRATION FEES, PRIVATE TUITION OR COACHING, UNIFORMS, EQUIPMENT)

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Are there any circumstances at home or school that may affect your ability to complete your participation in your chosen field? (250 WORD MAX)

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Your declaration:
I agree to work closely with the Grow A Star Program Coordinator during the scholarship period.

Yes  No

Provision of Person information
I give permission to Grow A Star to collect, use and disclose my personal information in this application form only for the purposes of assessment and administration of the Beyond Bank Grow a Star Scholarship.

Yes  No

Release of details to the Beyond Bank Grow a Star Scholarship and Grow A Star program
If I am successful in gaining a scholarship, I give permission to Grow A Star to contact my school/TAFE/Sports Club and obtain course completion information that will assist them to plan future programs to help students complete their studies.

Yes  No

Student over the age of 18 years at the time of submitting this application may sign this declaration
Signature:  
Name:  
Date:  

Where and applicant is under 18 years at the time of submitting this application, this form must be signed by the applicant’s parent/guardian or care giver
Signature:  
Name:  
Date:  