



York Region GRACE Lions Club

Green Scholarship

Background

York Region GRACE Lions Club was formed in January 2023 under Lions Club District A16. "GRACE" represents the main focus on Green, Relation, Action, Care and Education.

The Club's mission is to

- 1) Raise awareness of environmental issues and humanitarian issues through different projects and activities.
- 2) Encourage forward-thinking vision.

In 2024, York Region GRACE Lions Club Green Scholarship will be awarded to an Air Cadet who is in their last year of high school, has made a commitment to making a positive difference in their community and is interested in pursuing a post-secondary education in **Environmental Studies** or related area.

The total scholarship value is \$4000 and will be equally shared by four (4) recipients.

Applications and Criteria Process

The scholarship is awarded by competition, on a merit basis, to a serving or retiring (2024) Air Cadet who fulfills the following criteria:

Mandatory Criteria

Enrolling in a post-secondary program with a focus on environmental studies or related area and has participated in an Air Cadet program and or summer training for at least three years (not necessarily consecutive years, aggregate service is accepted).

Additional Criteria:

- In good academic standing at secondary school;
- Has a demonstrated record of extra-curricular community involvement
- Received the Air Cadet Service Medal (minimum of 4 years of service);

- Has a good record of participation in Squadron activities.

Supporting Documents

The application must also include the following documentations:

- A letter (min of 500 to max of 1000 words) from the applicant describing their interest in environmental studies-related area of study, providing an outline of their career goals and how they can make change to the environment with 3 'R' – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.
 - A one-page summary of the applicant's Cadet career, extra-curricular school activities, and community activities (point form is fine);
- A letter of support from the applicant's Commanding Officer or other Officer identifying the applicant's dates of involvement in the Air Cadet program, accompanied by a copy of the Cadet's Record of Service from FORTRESS;
- A letter of support from the Chairperson of the applicant's Squadron Sponsoring Committee;
- A letter of recommendation from the applicant's School Principal, Teacher, or Counsellor;
- A copy of the most recently available high school transcript.

Completed applications must be received at the OPC Office by **Mar 23, 2024**.

Review Process

Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Applications will be reviewed by the Ontario Provincial Committee Recognition and Awards Committee and one representative of York Region GRACE Lions Club.

The top four (4) applicants will each be awarded a \$1000 scholarship. The decision of the Committee is final.

Final Approval

Applicants must submit proof of enrollment at a university or college in order to receive the award.

A representative of the York Region GRACE Lions Club will present the recipients with their scholarship on April 26, 2024. The recipients will have to be required to deliver a 3-5 minutes presentation outlining their interest in environmental studies and how they can make change to the environment with 3 'R' – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle during the presentation night.

Further Information:

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AIR CADET LEAGUE OF CANADA

Ontario Provincial Committee

2024 YORK REGION GRACE LIONS CLUB GREEN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Rank:	Last Name(s):	Given Name(s):
Squadron No. & Name:		
Home Address:		
Municipality:	Postal Code:	Phone:
ON		
Email:		

Required Documentation

The following information is enclosed as required by the Awards and Recognition Committee:

Candidate's letter addressing criteria	Letter of Support from SSC Chairperson
Candidate's Cadet career and activities	Most recent school transcripts
Letter of recommendation and confirmation from CO or Officer	Letter of recommendation from School or Community

Post Secondary Applications

I have applied and / or been accepted to the following post secondary institutions:

School:	Program:
School:	Program:
School:	Program:

Agreement

I acknowledge that, if selected to receive the scholarship, I must provide proof of acceptance and registration in a post-secondary school and program in compliance with the terms of the Scholarship, and I agree to accept the selection decision of the Awards and Recognition Committee as final.

Cadet Signature

Name of Parent / Guardian, if applicant is under 18 years of age:	_____ Signature of Parent /Guardian
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OPC Awards and Recognition Committee Form: YORK REGION GRACE LIONS CLUB Green Scholarship Application