

Community Matters

Scholarship and Bursary Program Recipient Highlight

Each year, the Thunder Bay Community Foundation helps numerous students achieve their post-secondary studies through their annual Scholarship and Bursary Program. Whether they're going into a Nursing Program or a Science Program, there are many Scholarships and Bursaries to be given out to Thunder Bay and District graduating high school students.

Without the support of their generous donors, the Thunder Bay Community Foundation could not do what it does. The Thunder Bay Community Foundation is passionate about our community, and that's why for over 50 years, they have created a variety of flexible ways to give. They make it easy to realize your philanthropic ambitions and support our community's well-being, now and for the future.

Cassandra Tolmie - 2022 Student Award Recipient

The James & Shirley Symington Family Fund Bursary was established with the goal of assisting young people in our community pursue an education with reduced financial burdens. This Bursary is also available to past recipients going into each subsequent year of their post-secondary program. Recipients are eligible to receive up to 3 more awards in subsequent years totaling \$10,000.

Cassandra Tolmie was awarded the James & Shirley Symington Family Fund Bursary in 2022. She is currently enrolled at Lakehead University and working towards an Honours Bachelor degree in History. Cassandra learned about the Scholarship and Bursary Program at the Thunder Bay Community Foundation through word of mouth and social media. With the financial support of the James & Shirley Symington Family Fund Bursary, Cassandra was able to purchase textbooks and pay for additional campus fees.

"I found the application process pretty straightforward and easy! Whenever I needed help, I was able to get in touch with someone at the Foundation and they were able to help with any issues. I would definitely encourage other high school students to apply for Scholarships and Bursaries through the Thunder Bay Community Foundation. They are easy to do and tremendously lessen the burden of financial stress during an already stressful start to your academic career. I would like to thank the Symington Family for making my Bursary possible. They have helped me in more ways than I thought possible. My overall anxiety was improved as I didn't have to worry as much about finances," says Tolmie.

The Thunder Bay Community Foundation is currently accepting applications for their 2023 Scholarship and Bursary Program. Students who are graduating high school in the Thunder Bay and District areas can apply or learn more by visiting **tbcf.org.**

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- Give students the gift of education by establishing a scholarship or bursary.

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Cassandra Tolmie