

Who Can Apply?

Future Scholarships are part of Housing Choices Australia's Community Development Program in Victoria and provides a commitment to working with our residents to support access and engagement in education and training opportunities.

The Future Scholarships can assist Housing Choices Australia Residents and their children to turn their vision for the future into reality. The Scholarships are open to residents of Housing Choices Australia and their children who will be participating in the following recognised and accredited courses:

- Year 11 or Year 12
- VET Course
- Certificate Courses Levels 1 to 5
- Diploma Certificates
- Bachelor
- Apprenticeship course

The scholarship can also be used towards the out of pocket expenses incurred in completing your studies. These may include course fees, text books, stationery supplies, excursions and tutoring. If awarded, scholarship funds will be supplied direct to the institution or provider.

There are ten scholarships of up to \$500 each available each semester.

How to Apply?

To apply for a Future Scholarship an eligible resident will need to complete the Future Scholarship application form available from Housing Choices Australia Community Development Team on ph.1300 312 447 or email to request one from info@hcau.org.au

Applications for educational expenses incurred in Semester 2, 2018 close on August 3rd 2018 and will be announced by August 18th, 2017

Applications for educational expenses incurred in Semester 1, 2019 close on March 8th 2018 and will be announced by March 22nd 2018.

Completed application forms and attachments must be received by Housing Choices Australia prior to 5pm on the closing date via mail to:

Community Development Team
Housing Choices Australia
Level 3/350 Queen Street
Melbourne VIC 3000

Or email to: info@hcau.org.au

How are Scholarship applications assessed?

Scholarships applications will be assessed against the selection criteria (detailed below) by a selection panel made up of members of Housing Choices Australia's staff team. The selection panel will review what type of out of pocket expenses will be occurred by the

student's chosen field of studies. There may not be any out of pocket expenses for some students subjects.

We would also like to hear your story about your goals for the future and the part your current studies or training may play in helping you reach those goals.

Selection Criteria

- Applicants must be a resident or child of a resident, of a Housing Choices Australia managed property in Victoria.
- The parent or guardian must give consent for all applicants under 18 years of age.
- A maximum of one scholarship can be awarded per household each year.
- A maximum of \$500 will be paid towards the scholarship.
- Applicants must be enrolled in Year 11, Year 12 or an accredited VET course, Tertiary Certificate course, Diploma, Bachelor or Apprenticeship program in Victoria
- Applicants must provide:
 - An enrolment confirmation from the educational institution they are studying with or a letter from the educational institution.
 - A quote or invoice with the details of the out of pocket expenses requested.
 - A completed Futures Scholarship Program application form.
- Applications must be received by 5.00pm on the closing date for that semester; late applications will not be considered after this date.
- Applicants agreed to share their story about their study journey and the impact of the scholarship with Housing Choices Australia.

What can the Scholarship fund be used for?

- Out of pocket course fees.
- Out of pocket expenses for educational materials such as text books, prescribed software, and information technology costs associated with using school technology. Tools and equipment that are needed to complete the student's field of studies.
- Costs of an excursion within Australia or overseas which will benefit the students learning and development.
- Tutoring costs associated with tutors provided by the school or private business.
- An opportunity to attend extra learning activities such as a conference.

Applicant Notification

Applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application in writing.

Future Scholarship Payments

The Future Scholarship payments will be paid directly to either the educational institution or business from whom the education supplies or services are sought.

We are happy to hear from you so please if you have any questions about the scholarship program call our Community Development Team on 1300 312 447.