



United Way
Winnipeg
Youth United



Youth Leaders in Action Scholarship

The United Way Winnipeg Youth Leaders in Action (YLIA) Scholarship is overseen by the Youth United Council and celebrates the contributions of young community leaders who have made a difference in the lives of others.

Two YLIA scholarships of \$1,000 are granted each year to students in Winnipeg. Recipients will be students under 24 years of age who are connected with United Way Winnipeg funded organizations as participants, volunteers, or staff members or are connected to a Youth United Chapter.

AWARD CRITERIA

CONNECTION WITH A UNITED WAY WINNIPEG-FUNDED ORGANIZATION OR WITH A YOUTH UNITED CHAPTER Awards are granted to students who have participated, volunteered, or worked with a Winnipeg-based United Way Winnipeg agency partner or are a member of a Youth United Chapter. Please visit <https://unitedwaywinnipeg.ca/our-impact/our-network-of-agency-partners/> to view an agency partner list.

ACADEMIC POTENTIAL Awards are given to full- or part-time students who have been accepted to or are attending a post-secondary institution in Winnipeg during the current academic year and can demonstrate a commitment to their education.

DEMONSTRATED LEADERSHIP The Selection Committee will look for situations where students have challenged themselves to influence others and address local community issues that are important to them.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT Recipients will demonstrate genuine commitment and connection at a neighbourhood level.

FINANCIAL NEED The Selection Committee prioritizes recipients who have demonstrated a need for financial support.



APPLICATION FORM

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

IMPORTANT

A complete application must include:

- The four-page Youth Leaders in Action application form
- A signed Acknowledgement and Authorization section
- A completed reference form that has been filled out by your supervisor at the United Way Winnipeg agency partner where you are involved or the adult supervisor of your Youth United Chapter.
- A copy of your latest academic transcript

HOW WILL WE TREAT YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?

United Way Winnipeg respects the privacy of individuals by protecting personal information and adhering to legislative requirements with respect to protecting privacy. United Way Winnipeg values the trust of all individuals with whom it engages and recognizes that maintaining this trust requires that United Way Winnipeg be accountable in how it collects and uses personal information.

To read the complete United Way Winnipeg Privacy Policy, please visit <http://unitedwaywinnipeg.ca/privacy-policy/>

Please send your completed application to:

Youth United Council
United Way Winnipeg
580 Main Street
Winnipeg, MB R3B 1C7

All applications must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, March 4, 2026.

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Full Name:
FIRST LAST PRONOUNS

Address:
STREET ADDRESS APARTMENT/UNIT #

CITY PROVINCE POSTAL CODE

Phone: Alternate Phone:

Email Address:

Birth Date:

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Please list all of the schools you've attended (except for elementary schools), starting with the most recent.

SCHOOL NAME	YEARS ATTENDED	DATE OF GRADUATION IF APPLICABLE
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SPONSORING ORGANIZATION INFORMATION OR YOUTH UNITED CHAPTER

Organization /Youth United Chapter Name:

Address:
STREET ADDRESS UNIT #

How have you been involved with this organization?
☐ PROGRAM PARTICIPANT ☐ VOLUNTEER ☐ STAFF MEMBER

How long have you been involved with this organization or Youth United Chapter?

Can we call the organization or Youth United Chapter to ask about your involvement? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If you said yes, who is the best person to talk to?

NAME PHONE



GOALS

Please answer the questions below in the space provided.

A. PERSONAL GOALS

What are two or three personal goals you've set for yourself over the next few years?

B. ACADEMIC GOALS

What do you hope to accomplish by going to school?

C. COMMUNITY-RELATED GOALS

Tell us about your community experiences as a volunteer/employee or tell us about your Youth United Chapter projects.

ROLE	RESPONSIBILITIES	LENGTH OF INVOLVEMENT	ARE YOU STILL INVOLVED?

How would you like to contribute to the community over the next few years?



PERSONAL GROWTH

Tell us about a time when you've challenged yourself to do something difficult that was important to you.

CONNECTION TO YOUR SPONSORING ORGANIZATION

Please tell us about your connection to the organization or Youth United Chapter sponsoring your application. How have you been involved and what has it meant to you? How do you plan to be involved in the community in the future?

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Please provide relevant details about your financial situation.

(All we require is a general overview — you do not have to provide specific or personal information).



ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AUTHORIZATION

I understand that the information I've provided will be used to assess my eligibility for the Youth Leaders in Action Scholarship. All of the information provided on this application form and any supporting material is true, accurate and complete.

Signature Date

MEDIA RELEASE

If you are selected as a recipient of this award, United Way Winnipeg may publish your name and/or picture in material used to promote the scholarship program.

I consent to having my name and/or picture used in United Way Winnipeg's promotional materials

I DO NOT consent to having my name and/or picture used in United Way Winnipeg's promotional materials

Signature Date

Guardian signature (if under 18) Date



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This form should be filled out by a staff member or volunteer supervisor from the United Way Winnipeg agency partner or adult supervisor of a Youth United Chapter sponsoring the applicant. The reference should complete the form and send it directly to United Way Winnipeg in a sealed envelope **with their signature across the flap**.

Please address the reference form to: **Selection Committee**
Youth Leaders in Action Scholarship
United Way Winnipeg
580 Main Street Winnipeg, MB R3B 1C7

If you have any questions, please email United Way Winnipeg at youthunited@unitedwaywinnipeg.ca

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CONTACT INFORMATION

I am providing a reference for:

My name:

Organization/Youth United Chapter:

Position: Phone:

Email:

INVOLVEMENT WITH YOUR ORGANIZATION/YOUTH UNITED CHAPTER

How has this young person been involved with your organization?

What kind of contribution have they made?

PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

What are two or three personal characteristics that have helped this young person succeed?

LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL

Please describe one situation where this student has taken the responsibility to motivate their peers.

What makes them a leader?

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS



ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AUTHORIZATION

All of the information I've provided in this reference is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature Date