

## **CO-OPERATORS BURSARY FOR MEMBERS GUIDELINES**

## **Purpose**

The Co-operators Bursary Fund is awarded annually to a registered and residing in New Brunswick member(s) of the New Brunswick Association of Social Workers for the purpose of undertaking training opportunities recognized in the most up-to-date Continuing Professional Education Policy, including but not limited to conferences, workshops, and webinars. Studies leading to a higher degree in social work, or to a specialized certificate program or course related to social work are eligible for consideration, however, priority for the administration of this fund will be given to the above-mentioned training opportunities.

## Administration of the Fund

The provincial office is responsible for the following aspects of the Fund:

- Publicity in the Association newsletter and/or social media communications regarding the application deadline;
- Reception of applications until March 31<sup>st</sup> of the year for which the Scholarship is being requested (forms are available online on the NBASW website);
- Distribution of applications to Education committee through confidential means;
- Notifying applicants of selection results and distributing funds; and
- Announcement of the recipient in the Association newsletter and on social media as appropriate.

The Education Committee is responsible for the selection of a recipient and a runner-up from the applications received.

## Value and frequency of Fund

The bursary is available for a total of up to \$500. While every effort will be made to administer the fund in one \$500 lump sum, it may be distributed among multiple recipients in certain cases, as decided by the Education Committee. A recipient may be awarded the Bursary only once. If the Education Committee is unable to make the selection one year, due to conflicts of interest or other reasons, the provincial office will take the appropriate steps to ensure a recipient is selected and the funds are distributed, which may include appointing another committee as the ad hoc selection committee.

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