

Hindmarsh Town Mission Education Scholarship Program 2010

Background

The Hindmarsh Town Mission began in 1865 when a Hindmarsh Uniting Church missionary named Thomas Harkness was sponsored by a local philanthropist George Fife Angas, to work for the local community. The Hindmarsh Town Mission committee was set up to “superintend the missionary labours of Mr Harkness”, and resolved to “collect and distribute a fund for the relief of the poor”. The Town Mission largely operated from their office located on the Port Road median strip and the Hindmarsh Civic Centre, helping up to 300 people per year with practical assistance such as food vouchers, Christmas hampers and mattresses. The mission statement of the group was “to provide guidance and practical assistance to persons in the Hindmarsh and adjacent areas who are in need by reason of poverty, sickness, distress or other misfortunes”.

In 1996 the Hindmarsh Town Mission dissolved due to a decrease in volunteer numbers and an increase in local not for profit agencies taking up the causes the Mission worked for. At this time, the management of the Hindmarsh Town Mission Trust Fund was handed to the City of Hindmarsh and Woodville. The fund is now managed by the City of Charles Sturt. In order to continue to honour the spirit of the Mission, Council has endorsed the establishment of an Education Scholarship Program (Application form is attached) to support students living in the Hindmarsh Ward (please see attached map) to access funds to support their educational goals.

Guidelines

Scholarships are to be used toward the cost of enrolment fees, course material, uniforms or any other related course needs.

The categories of funding available are as follows:

1. Up to \$100 towards continuing education for young people at primary school level, Year R-7.
2. Up to \$200 towards continuing education for young people at secondary school level, Year 8-12.
3. Up to \$250 towards community based educational programs that are stepping stones to higher education. This includes certified courses run in the community which help to build skills or confidence which will assist you to move on to other study or pursue work opportunities. E.g. WEA, local community centre computing courses etc.
4. Up to \$400 towards continuing education for post secondary students. Includes TAFE SA, University and other Non Government Education Providers.

Who is eligible to apply?

Applicants must reside within the City of Charles Sturt in the Hindmarsh Ward which includes the suburbs of Bowden, Brompton, Croydon, Ridleyton, West Croydon, Renown Park, Ovingham, Kilkenny and part of Devon Park and parts of Hindmarsh (please see attached map).

How to apply and when to apply?

Applications open **1 December 2009 and close 26 February 2010**. All applications must be filled out on the Hindmarsh Town Mission Education Scholarship Program application form. The City of Charles Sturt will undertake to provide responses to applicants within 4 weeks of the closing date.

All applications should be submitted by mail to:

Hindmarsh Town Mission Education Scholarship Program
Attention: Team Leader Community Development
City of Charles Sturt
PO Box 1
WOODVILLE SA 5011

or Fax on 8408 1122

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Attention: Team Leader Community Development

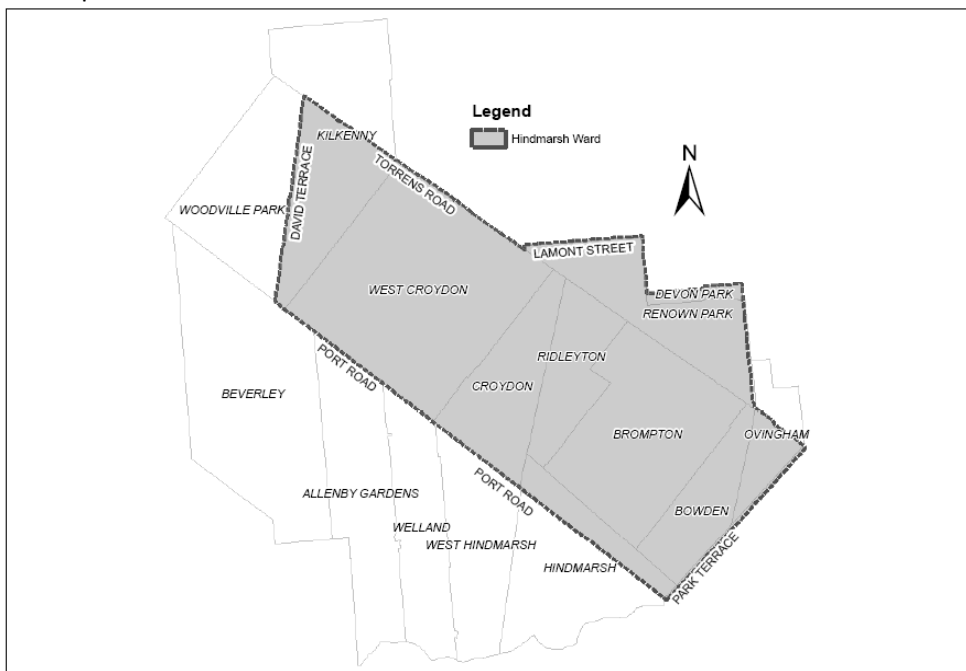
Criteria for Funding

The number of scholarships and the amount awarded under each category is at the discretion of the assessment panel. Please ensure you have checked the guidelines before submitting your application.

When will you find out about your application?

Applications will be assessed within two weeks of the closing date. You will be notified of the decision within 4 weeks of the closing date of applications.

If you are unsuccessful and would like feedback contact the City of Charles Sturt's Team Leader Community Development on 8408 1219.



Application Details

- | What category are you applying under? | Please tick |
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| 1. Up to \$100 towards continuing education for young people at primary school level, Year 4-7. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Up to \$200 towards continuing education for young people at secondary school level, Year 8-12 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Up to \$250 towards community based educational programs that are stepping stones to higher education: toward enrolment fees, course material, or any other course needs. This includes any course run in the community which helps to build skills or confidence, which will assist you to move onto other study or pursue work opportunities. E.g. WEA, local community centre computing course. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Up to \$400 towards continuing education for post secondary students: toward enrolment fees, course material, or any other course needs. Includes study at TAFE SA, University and Non Government Education Providers. | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Name of the educational facility you are planning to attend:

Name of course you are enrolling in:

Please tell us your educational goals and how this scholarship will help you meet these?

(Please attach extra pages if needed)

Please specify what you would use the scholarship for? (E.g. \$115 for course fees, \$80 for course text book, \$40 school uniform):

Total amount being requested \$ _____

Please provide a letter of support from someone who knows you and your reason for applying for a scholarship. This could include your School Principal, neighbour, or someone who has known you for a number of years. If you are unable to get a support letter, please provide the name and contact details for the course coordinator or teach of the course you are intending to study in the section provided below.

Important Information – Please read before signing

I understand this is an application only, and does not necessarily result in funding.

Have you received a scholarship before Yes No

Conditions of funding

In making this application I agree to the following:

- The application is submitted in accordance with the due dates subscribed in the program guidelines.
- The application is submitted with proof of residence, e.g. a photocopy of an official letter that has your address on it, a copy of a driver's licence or a photocopy of your health care card.
- The information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- A support letter has been submitted with my application, written and signed by someone who knows me and my reason for making this application; or the contact details for the course coordinator or teach; and my reason for applying, if a letter can't be provided. The contact person must have signed this form so they are aware they may be contacted.
- Any monies received from the Hindmarsh Town Mission Scholarship Program will be expended as detailed within the application.
- Any monies not expended or accounted for are to be returned to the City of Charles Sturt.
- The Hindmarsh Town Mission Scholarship Program will be acknowledged in any publicity or promotion of your Scholarship achievements.

Applicant Name: _____

Applicant Signature: _____

If under 18 years of age, please provide the signature of parent or legal guardian

Contact Name: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Contact Signature: _____

Date: _____