

## Guidelines for DHH Bursaries and Grants

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There are several DHH (Deaf or Hard of Hearing) bursaries and grants available and descriptions are provided below. Those interested must complete the attached application form and submit it by the date noted. The Committee will review the applications and advise applicants as soon as possible.

Applications for Recreational/Social/Cultural Opportunity Grants and APSEA Gatherings Support Grant can be submitted throughout the year but must be received **four (4) weeks prior** to the activity.

**All other applications have a deadline of May 1st annually.**

Return completed applications to: [trustfunds@apsea.ca](mailto:trustfunds@apsea.ca)

### List of Bursaries and Grants

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Name:	Recreational/Social/Cultural Opportunity Grant
Amount:	Maximum of up to \$2,000 / applicant based on application per fiscal year
Details:	<p>Financial support for children and youth who are Deaf or hard of hearing and their families in the Atlantic Provinces to participate in social, recreational, or cultural activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• American Sign Language (ASL) classes,</li> <li>• ASL interpreting services (for activities outside of school events),</li> <li>• Student conferences,</li> <li>• Amplification technology (note: this does not include DM units),</li> <li>• Extracurricular activities that provide the child or youth with the opportunity to connect with others with similar lived experience as others who are Deaf and/or hard of hearing.</li> </ul> <p>Applications must be received a minimum of <b>four (4) weeks prior</b> to the activity.</p>

Name:	APSEA Gatherings Support Grant
Amount:	Amount: Maximum of \$2000 / applicant / fiscal year
Details:	Financial support for children and youth under 21 years of age who are Deaf or hard of hearing and one family member to participate in any APSEA cross-provincial APSEA gathering. Recipients must live in one of the Atlantic Provinces. Applications must be received a minimum of <b>four (4) weeks prior</b> to the activity.

Name:	DHH Bursary
Amount:	Amount: Maximum of up to \$2,000 / applicant / fiscal year
Details:	Awarded to encourage a student who is Deaf or hard of hearing under 21 years of age pursuing post-secondary studies and is a resident of one of the Atlantic Provinces. Selection consideration will be made based on degree of hearing levels. A maximum of twenty (20) awards at a maximum of \$2,000 each may be awarded annually. A copy of a recent audiogram must be included with the application.

Name:	Post-Graduate Technology Support Grant
Amount:	Maximum of up to \$2,000 / applicant
Details:	<p>Financial support for students who are Deaf or hard of hearing in the Atlantic Provinces who are graduating high school and entering the workforce or community. This grant provides funding assistance to purchase a DM system for the applicant's use after graduation.</p> <p>Note: This grant is not intended for students who are pursuing post-secondary studies.</p> <p>Criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled in final year of public school.</li> <li>• Under 21 years of age.</li> <li>• Entering the workforce/community.</li> <li>• Equipment recommended by the applicant's audiologist.</li> <li>• Experience with the equipment that is being requested.</li> <li>• Resident of Atlantic Canada</li> </ul>

Name:	Incentive Bursary for Professionals
Amount:	Maximum of up to \$1,000 / applicant
Details:	Awarded to a professional working with or preparing to work with children and youth who are Deaf or hard of hearing. A maximum of three awards of up to \$1000.00 each may be awarded annually. Selection consideration will be made based on relevance to working with children and youth who are Deaf or hard of hearing; enrollment in a program leading to a certificate, diploma, and/or degree; and resident of one of the Atlantic Provinces.

Name:	Research Project Grant
Amount:	Variable based on application
Details:	Grants may be awarded to support research and the development of curriculum or resources. Research/projects must be of direct benefit to the Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority (APSEA). A maximum of up to \$5,000 may be awarded annually. Research/projects will be conducted or carried out by an APSEA employee, or a person authorized by APSEA to conduct the research. All project proposals must be approved by the Director and/or the Superintendent. The amount to be awarded shall not exceed the actual cost of the research/project (travel, supplies, mail-outs, etc.) and may include funds for salary. Funds awarded, but not used in one year, may be carried over to the next year.

Name:	Professional Learning and Training Grant
Amount:	Variable based on application
Details:	Annually, an amount of \$8,000 will be available for professional learning and training to ensure that APSEA continues to meet its need for highly trained, very specialized staff with the technical skill and knowledge to meet the needs of children and youth who are Deaf or hard of hearing and are supported by APSEA. Applications for support from this fund will not be considered for staff who are on educational leave. A candidate must have the appropriate educational and experiential background to benefit from the professional learning opportunity. A candidate must hold a position within the Atlantic Provinces where they work in an educational setting with children and youth who are Deaf or hard of hearing. Professional learning and training opportunities are to be consistent with the priorities identified in the APSEA Strategic Plan.

## Application Form - DHH Bursaries and Grants

Return completed applications to:	
Mail:	Administrative Assistant, DHH Programs 5940 South Street, Halifax, NS B3H 1S6
Email:	trustfunds@apsea.ca

Applicant Name:	
Home Address:	
Email Address:	
Phone Number:	

### Bursaries and Grants

Which bursary or grant are you applying for? Select all that apply.

Bursary or Grant	Deadline	
Recreational/Social/Cultural Opportunity Grant	4 weeks prior to event	
APSEA Gatherings Support Grant	4 weeks prior to event	
DHH Bursary	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	
Post-Graduate Technology Support Grant	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	
Incentive Bursary for Professionals	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	
Research Project Grant	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	
Professional Learning & Training Grant	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	

**Recreational/Social/Cultural Opportunity Grant**, please complete the chart below.

Description of activity/ program/training/ technology (including dates if relevant)	
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Cost of activity / program / training/technology (please itemize)	
Amounts contributed by other individuals or groups	
Payment should be made to (name, mailing address including postal code)	

**APSEA Gatherings Support Grant**, please complete the chart below.

Description of gathering (include location and date)	
Outline the costs for your learner and one family to attend this gathering (please itemize).	
Outline the amount of gas cards you will be receiving from APSEA to support your attendance.	
Payment should be made to (name, mailing address including postal code)	

**DHH Bursary**, applicants please complete the Academic Information.

Indicate which Atlantic Province you are a Permanent Resident	
DOB (YYYY-MM-DD)	
Program of Study and Educational Institution	
Year of Study (1st, 2nd, etc.)	
Anticipated Date of Graduation	

Check the box to indicate a recent audiogram is included with this application.	
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**Post-Graduate Technology Support Grant**, please complete the chart below.

Indicate which Atlantic Province you are a Permanent Resident	
DOB (YYYY-MM-DD)	
Anticipated Date of High School Graduation	
Briefly outline your plans following graduation	
Indicate your current amplification and assistive technology.	
Indicate the amplification and assistive technology that is recommended by your audiologist. Please attached a letter/email from your audiologist outlining the recommendation.	
Cost of technology (please itemize)	
Amounts contributed by other individuals or groups	

**Incentive Bursary for Professionals**, applicants please complete the Academic Information.

Indicate which Atlantic Province you are a Permanent Resident	
Program of Study and Educational Institution	
Year of Study (1st, 2nd, etc.)	
Briefly outline your future career or profession as it relates to learners who are Deaf or hard of hearing.	

**Research Project Grant**, please complete the chart below.

Provide a description of the research project including the research problem, purposes or question, the intent of the project and what the goal or product will be.	
Outline how this project will benefit APSEA.	
Outline the costs associated with this project including timeline, estimated cost, other sources of funding explored and/or received.	
Check the box if this project has been approved by APSEA Director or Superintendent.	

**Professional Learning & Training Grant**, please complete the chart below.

Outline your job title and work location.	
Description of professional learning or training you will be pursuing (including dates)	
Cost of training (please itemize)	
Amounts contributed by other individuals or groups	
Outline how this training will meet the needs of learners who are Deaf or hard of hearing.	
Outline how this training aligns with the APSEA Strategic Plan.	

**I certify that the information on this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true and complete.**

Name of Person Completing Form:	
Relationship to Applicant (if not self):	
Signature:	
Date:	

**Successful applicants will be notified in writing. Payment will be made once all requirements are met.**



## Application Form - DHH Bursaries and Grants

Date Application Reviewed:	
Application Approved:	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Amount Approved for Payment:	
Additional Information:	Additional requirements for approved Bursary/Grant and Incentive Award applicants must be received prior to payment.
Letter from Admissions Office verifying enrolment, dated after the program has begun	
Applicant's Social Insurance Number (enter in box)	

### Payment Approval

Signature of Director of Finance & Administration:	
Date:	