Robert E. Walter Memorial Scholarship

Purpose of the Scholarship

The purpose of the Robert E. Walter Memorial Scholarship is to financially assist persons from member municipalities of the Mackenzie Regional Planning Commission taking post-secondary programs who plan to utilize their education in a career based in local government in the North Peace or Mackenzie regions of northern Alberta.

Scholarship Review Process

Application for Scholarship to the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency (MMSA)

Review of Applications by Agency's Review Panel

Selection of Scholarship Recipient Announcement

Funding Available

One \$2000 scholarship per year. Recipient may receive a total of two (2) scholarships per program but is required to apply a second time in order to be considered.

Eligibility



The Applicant must be a resident of The Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency's member municipalities. Member Municipalities are listed on the back of this brochure.

The Applicant is a high school graduate who will be or is currently attending a post-secondary education program;

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The Applicant is currently in the work force but will be attending a post-secondary education program to upgrade skills.

Continuing Education is eligible.

Only students enrolled in studies leading towards working in local government will be considered.



How to Apply for a Scholarship

- 1. Provide a cover letter indicating the following:
 - a. Your intentions for the Robert E. Walter Memorial Scholarship funds;
 - b. Your goals for your future;
 - c. Why you feel you would be deserving of the scholarship funds; and
 - d. Your resume.
- 2. Include letters of recommendation from:
 - a. Teachers or staff from the school you have attended or employers you currently work for. Recommendations can be based on financial need, work ethic, community involvement or academic standing.
 - A member of the community. Recommendations can be based on citizenship, character, or involvement in community activities.
- 3. Complete and sign the **Application Form**.
- 4. Include a copy of your transcripts.
- 5. Include a list of your academic achievements and community involvement.
- Funds must be used to pursue post-secondary education in Alberta or Canada.
- Funds may be used for tuition, fees, room and board, and/or books and supplies.
- An account of how the funds were used will be forwarded to the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency.
- Applicant agrees to retain employment in the North Peace or Mackenzie regions for one (1) year following graduation.
- If granted, and the recipient fails to do the above noted, the entirety of the grant funds shall be returned to the review panel.

Regulations

Deadline for Applications

Application packages should be forwarded for consideration to the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency at Box 450 Berwyn AB TOH 0E0 or info@mmsa.ca prior to March 31st each year.

Robert E. Walter

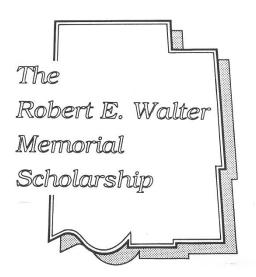
Bob Walter was truly one of the Mackenzie Region's leaders. His hard work, commitment and self-sacrifice resulted in many positive results and gained recognition for northern Alberta. Bob also initiated a standard of excellence for future generations to work towards.

Bob was the Town of High Level's first Mayor. Prior to this, he was a member of the New Town of High Level's Board of Administrators. Bob was a founding member of the Mackenzie Regional Planning Commission (presently named the **Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency**), an organization that he chaired for many years. Bob was also a member of the Minister of Municipal Affairs' Council on Local Development. In all these ventures, Bob represented our part of Alberta well and always promoted the on-going enhancement of northern Alberta.

Bob had an unwavering opinion on the need for northern Alberta educational opportunities, and retaining youth in the region. With this in mind and in memory of this outstanding individual, the Robert E. Walter Memorial Scholarship was established.

North Peace and Mackenzie Regions includes the following Municipalities:

Village of Berwyn, Town of Falher, Town of Grimshaw, Town of High Prairie, Town of Manning, Village of Nampa, Town of Rainbow Lake, Clear Hills County, Northern Sunrise County, MD of Fairview No. 136, MD of Peace No. 135, MD. Of Spirit River No. 133, Town of Spirit River



Application Guidelines

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