TERMS OF REFERENCE OF ENDOWED FUND

NAME OF ENDOWMENT FUND

Vincent Gardner Memorial Scholarship

INTRODUCTION

This fund was established by Mrs. Eunice Gardner, wife of the late Vincent Gardner and their son Garth Gardner. The creation of this fund is to acknowledge the support her family received from the Black community of Ottawa following the death of her husband. Vincent Gardner was shot by a police officer while visiting with friends in September of 1991; he died two months later. Vincent Gardner came to Canada in 1969 to join his wife Eunice. He was a peaceful and quiet man who worked hard and who liked to meet with friends to talk or “gossip up,” a traditional Jamaican gathering of friends. At the time of his death, he was working for the Hudson Bay Company. While the Gardner family will never forget this tragic event, the establishment of this scholarship will bring some comfort from the fact that it will help members of the Black community pursue a university education.

PURPOSE OF FUND

The purpose of the fund is to provide financial assistance to Black students who are registered full-time in the Faculty of Law, Common Law Section.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

Eligibility Criteria

The applicant must:

1. be registered full-time in the Faculty of Law, Common Law Section at the University of Ottawa;
2. have completed the first year of their program with a GPA of 6.0 (B) or better;
3. be a Black student; and
4. demonstrate financial need as determined by the Financial Aid and Awards Service.

Note: Preference will be given to applicants satisfying one of the following criteria listed in priority:

- applicant is of Jamaican descent
- applicant is from the Black community of Ottawa
- applicant is of Caribbean descent

Value of the Award: Minimum $500

Number of Awards: Variable

Frequency of the Award: Annual

Level of the Award: Undergraduate

Application Contact: Financial Aid and Awards Service

Application Deadline: October 31

APPLICATION PROCEDURE
Applications must be made through Online Scholarships and Bursaries, which can be accessed through https://scholarships.uottawa.ca, and should include:

1. the Financial Questionnaire; and

2. proof of the applicant's status as a member from the Black community, and if applicable, of the applicant's Jamaican or Caribbean descent or from the Black community of Ottawa