

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Name of Endowed Fund (OTSS¹)

Children's Aid Foundation of Ottawa Dare to Dream Scholarship

INTRODUCTION

The Children's Aid Foundation of Ottawa provides educational and life enrichment opportunities that enhance a child's physical, social, mental and developmental well-being. The Dare to Dream Scholarship at the University of Ottawa is an educational support for youth who are, or have been, in the care of the Children's Aid Society of Ottawa.

PURPOSE OF FUND

To support undergraduate or graduate students who demonstrate financial need and have good academic standing. Recipients must be or have been a child in extended society care under the Children's Aid Society and be enrolled at the University of Ottawa.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

Eligibility criteria

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be a Canadian citizen, a permanent resident or a person with protected or refugee status.
- Be enrolled as a full-time student in a program at the University of Ottawa.
- Be no more than 24 years old at the time of application.
- Meet the Ontario residency requirement, as per OSAP² rules.
- Demonstrate financial need, as determined by the Financial Aid and Awards Service of the University of Ottawa.
- Be or have been a child in extended society care under the Children's Aid Society of Ottawa (CASO) at some point.
- Be in good academic standing (cumulative grade point average of at least 6.0 for undergraduate students).

Award value:	Minimum \$3,500
Number of awards:	Variable
Award frequency:	Annual
Level or program of study:	Undergraduate and graduate
Application contact:	Financial Aid and Awards Service
Application deadline:	October 31

¹ OTSS: *Ontario Trust Student Support*

² OSAP: Ontario Student Assistance Program

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications must be made through Online Scholarships and Bursaries, which can be accessed through uoZone. They should include the following:

- the Financial Questionnaire
- an unofficial copy of the applicant's transcript
- a letter (max. one page) written by the applicant detailing how they meet the qualifications and, especially, how they have seriously pursued their educational dream
- an official letter from a representative of the Children's Aid Society of Ottawa confirming the applicant was or is a child in extended society care.

Note: Applicants are encouraged to contact the Children's Aid Foundation of Ottawa at 613-745-1893 or foundation@cafott.ca for more information and to advise the foundation that they intend to apply for this scholarship. Potential applicants may also be identified through recommendation by the Children's Aid Foundation of Ottawa.