

# Alex Amsterdam Annual Scholarship

This scholarship was named in memory of Alex Amsterdam, an active community volunteer and former member of the VCA board. The scholarship recognizes graduating grade 9 and 12 students for their commitment to citizenship and volunteerism in their community.

## Eligibility

This scholarship is available on an annual basis to graduating grade 9 and 12 students living within the defined boundaries of the Varsity Community.

## Criteria

The successful recipients will:

- Exhibit strong character and citizenship through their involvement with organizations outside of the school environment.
- Exhibit leadership within organized school activities.
- Be a positive role model for their peers.
- Demonstrate a commitment to volunteerism through service in the larger community.
- Be graduating from the school and have been registered in an educational institution for the fall.
- Be able to express his/her opinions well as evidenced in their submission to the selection committee.

## Selection Process

A committee of the Board of Directors of the Varsity Community Association will review all applications.

## The Scholarship

In the case of a grade 9 graduate, the scholarship shall be a \$200.00 cash payment at the time of registration in high school.

In the case of a grade 12 student, the scholarship shall be a \$400.00 cash payment at the time of registration at a post-secondary educational institution.

Four scholarships will be awarded if sufficient qualifying applications are received, two for junior high graduates and two for high school graduates.

## Application Process

Applicants must prepare and submit either an essay, video tape or computer presentation to the selection committee prior to the June 30<sup>th</sup> deadline. The submission will demonstrate how the applicant is an active participant in volunteer activities; "Citizenship, Volunteerism; Building a Community One Step at a Time".

Application may be submitted via email to [vcagm@telus.net](mailto:vcagm@telus.net) or delivery to the Varsity Community Association. Application deadline is July 15<sup>th</sup>.