

# 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 July 15th 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>.