

## The Leonard Foundation Financial Assistance Program (Information disponible en Francais aussi)

The Foundation has a Charitable Trust and also a Financial Assistance Program for students who, without help from the Foundation, would not be able to continue their education. It is significant that Colonel Leonard placed emphasis on financial need rather than high academic achievement. He also believed that the recipients of his awards should have qualities for leadership so that Canada could grow. Over the years, the amount available for the Financial Assistance Program has grown to approximately \$175,000.00 annually.

**Deadline: March 15<sup>th</sup>;**

**Amount: \$1,000-\$1,500;**

### Eligibility Criteria:

- The Leonard Foundation Scholarships are awarded to students enrolled or enrolling in an accredited undergraduate degree program in a College or University in Canada. Applicants must be Canadian citizens or landed immigrants;
- Students must be enrolled in their first undergraduate program as a full-time student;
- All applicants will be considered, but when necessary, preference may be given to **daughters or sons** of ordained clergy, licensed elementary or secondary school teachers, Canadian military personnel, graduates of a Canadian Military College, members of the Engineering Institute of Canada and members of the Mining and Metallurgical Institute of Canada. Preference is also given to those who have previously received an award from The Leonard Foundation;
- The value of the award is usually \$1,000.00 for those who do not need to set up a second residence to attend university and \$1,500.00 for those who do. These amounts may vary according to the final decisions of the General Committee. Approximately 140 awards are made annually;
- Successful applicants are expected to obtain employment during free time to help defray the costs of their education. In addition, they must participate regularly in athletic, fitness or military activities. Personal qualities showing a potential for leadership are also a requirement;
- Colonel Reuben Wells Leonard wanted this financial assistance to go to individuals who, without it, would not be able to obtain a degree. For that reason, a true financial need must be demonstrated. Those still living with their families and whose gross total annual income, including "in kind" benefits\* exceeds \$60,000.00 are not likely to be accepted. Those applicants who have permanently resided outside of the family home for an extended period will be required to supply detailed financial information. **It is recognized that some of this information is somewhat personal; however, to fulfill the**

**requirements of the donor, it is required. If you do not wish to divulge this information, the General Committee will not be able to make a reasoned decision.**

**Application Process:**

- Be sure to review the criteria detailed on this website to confirm your eligibility, particularly the applicability of eligibility criteria 6;
- To apply, download the application form (the application form can be found on the website linked below);
- Your form must be completed in its entirety. It can be completed electronically or printed and completed by hand. If completed by hand, please ensure it is clearly legible, especially your name, mailing, and email address;
- The application form is to be submitted through a nominator (a list of nominators can be found on the website linked below);

For more information pertaining to this scholarship, the application process, and to access important documents, please refer to the link below:

<http://www.leonardfnd.org/>