Valley Regional Hospital Foundation

Enhancing healthcare in our Annapolis Valley community

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Student Awards 2026

Two bursaries of $2,500 from the ***Robert and Minnie (Beals) Sowerby Fund*** are available to graduates in the AVRCE or École Rose-des Vents catchment who are planning to pursue post-secondary education in a healthcare related field.

Financial need will be the key determinant in awarding these bursaries.

We recognize that many people in our communities face systemic barriers. As part of our growing commitment to foster diversity, equity, and inclusion, we invite applicants from underrepresented or marginalized communities to self-identify in their application if they wish to do so.

All personal information will be kept confidential and used solely for the purpose of assessing eligibility. Meeting the eligibility criteria does not guarantee funding, as awards are subject to available resources and selection processes. **To apply, submit the following by April 13, 2026:**

- A letter stating full name, address, phone number, email, school attended, and occupations of parent(s)/guardians. In the letter, tell us about your interests; plans for the future; any volunteering you do or part-time or summer jobs you've had; anything else you wish to share to help us understand your need for financial support as you pursue your education goals; and, if you wish, please self-identify.
- Two letters of reference, one of which will come from the school Principal, Guidance Counsellor or Teacher.
- A current school transcript.
- Name of the post-secondary institution you will be attending. If you have a letter of acceptance, please include a copy.

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OR submit electronically to: info@vrhfoundation.ca

The selection process:

- The Foundation will review applications and select successful applicants by May 15, 2026.
- The Foundation will require copies of post-secondary acceptance letters by **August 15, 2026.**
- Successful students will be asked to write a thank you letter to the donors of the bursary; and be photographed for the Foundation newsletter, website, and social media.