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Program Overview:

- The OAFE Bursary Program provides financial assistance to encourage students to pursue a career in Fire Services.
- One \$1,000 bursary will be awarded annually to a student enrolled into a Fire Service Protection and Prevention program at the College level.

Eligibility:

- The OAFE Bursary is open to all students enrolled in a Fire Service Protection and Prevention program at an Ontario College for the term following the award of the bursary.
- Applicant must be a resident of Ontario and a Canadian Citizen.
- Students must have an interest in and contribute to their community through active participation in extracurricular activities in fire and life safety.
- Applicant must complete the required application package.
- The awards are non-renewable and non-transferable.

Application Requirements:

Each application will include the following:

- Name and signature of application
- Applicant's college transcript
- Applicant's resume that includes details of extracurricular activities and contributions to fire and life safety
- Demonstration of financial need
- 300 word explanation of why the applicant aspires to be working in the Fire Service.
- 500 word essay on the importance of Fire & Life Safety Education (public education) and why it is important to you.
- Each application must include a recommendation letter from the Program Co-Ordinator.

Application Deadlines:

- Applications will be accepted via the OAFE website.
- Applications will be due by March 13th 2026.
- The monetary awards will be forwarded to successful applicants upon the completion of the judging and only after the receipt of College confirmation of acceptance and evidence of student commitment to enter a college fire safety program.

Consents for Photo & Communications:

- The bursary winner will be required to provide the OAFE with a photo.
- The bursary winner consents to their photo being posted on the OAFE website and used in other communication by the OAFE.