

## **ESTARL Awards**

ESTARL awards are given to assist young men and women, who are permanent residents of British Columbia or Yukon and attending or plan to attend an Accredited School of Theology in Canada on a full time or part time basis and who are preparing for one of the following or related fields: Minister, Missionary, Director of Church Music, Director of Religious Education, or Director of Youth Leadership.

The Order of the Eastern Star is known throughout the world for its program of sponsoring Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership. It is our belief that to maintain Peace on Earth there must be stability and understanding in the hearts of all people. Therefore, the Order of the Eastern Star is anxious to assist young men and women who are interested in a full time religious career and whose lives will reflect the precepts of their Heavenly Father.

ESTARL Scholarship Awards presented by the Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon are supported by British Columbia and Yukon members and Chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star. The amount of the scholarship may vary from year to year depending on the number of applicants and the amount of money available.

Awards are made for one year, but recipients may apply for a Renewal Award. The money is paid to the school of the applicant's choice, providing it is a regionally accredited school, and the school administers the scholarship. Funds must be used to defray school expenses: tuition, fees, books, room, board. The scholarship is not paid to the student.

### **Eligibility:**

- Student must have completed at least two years of college
- Student must be enrolling in a Regionally Accredited College
- Student must attend educational institution as a full-time student
- Student must be preparing for religious service as a Minister, Missionary, Director of Church Music, Director of Religious Education, or Youth Leadership
- To apply for a BC and Yukon award, you must be a resident of British Columbia or Yukon
- There is no requirement of Masonic or Eastern Star affiliation

The Order of the Eastern Star does not discriminate on the basis of race, colour, national or ethnic origin, or religious belief in the administration of its scholarship program

### **Notification:**

Recipients will be notified by May 31<sup>st</sup> of the action of the ESTARL Committee. The awards are made in the form of a certificate presented to the student, and a check in the amount of the award will be sent to the school in which he/she is enrolled.

### **Application Forms:**

Application forms may be obtained through the sponsoring Order of the Eastern Star Chapter's Secretary within our jurisdiction and must be received no later than February 28<sup>th</sup>.

The application form must be filled out and returned to the ESTARL Committee by March 15<sup>th</sup>. References must be provided by a minister, a school official, and a community leader. The Committee requests a transcript of credits from the school last attended.

*Please note: The Application form is located on the Members / Secretaries page*