

## The Christian Services for the Blind and Hearing Impaired Personal Pursuit and Empowerment Scholarship (PPES)

The CSFBHI PPE Scholarship is to assist persons with a visual or hearing impairment achieve a more complete life through challenging life-experience and wider vocational training. It will provide a cash payment to persons undertaking some form of endeavor which does not usually qualify for government assistance. The pursuit would not usually be vocational-related, which in most cases is government assisted, or rehabilitative. For example, it might be to undertake some form of demanding recreational activity within a structured or formalized framework, or to attend an independent living residential or in-service course by a certified entity.

Applicants are invited to apply for one of two scholarships to be awarded annually.

### *Value*

Each award is \$A2000.

### *Conditions*

Applications are required to be:

1. in writing
2. accompanied by all supporting documentation and endorsements
3. lodged by December 31 for awarding in the following year.

### *Qualifying*

Applicants must:

1. Be legally blind or deaf and provide proof of such.
2. Be at least 16 years of age.
3. Be connected to the Christian community.
4. Provide a summary of their personal achievements to date, and intermediate- and long-term goals.
5. Be pursuing some form of impairment-related self-improvement training in a recognised course or facility in the pursuit of their goals.
6. Give a clear statement of how the award-supported program or pursuit will assist in the achievement of those goals.
7. Supply a written endorsement/reference by one or more independent referees.
8. Provide proof of acceptance into the course of training or program from the certified course or program provider.
9. Agree to be available for the purposes of publicity and news reporting, including supplying of personal photographs, as able.

### *Fine print*

The award will be made at the discretion of CSFB management, which reserves to the right to vary the conditions in empathy with any unforeseen or award-worthy circumstance, as that relates to a particular application.

1. The award will be made subsequent to commencement of the program or

- course, for which authentication will be required.
2. The award is made to the individual, for use at their discretion, be that for living or course expenses.
  3. Award recipients agree to have their story and images used for the advancement of the CSFBHI, for promotion of the award, and for publicity and news reports relating to it. (Note, recipients will not be required to endorse CSFBHI.)
  4. The award will be made only if a worthwhile qualifying candidate is available, in the absence of which it may not be awarded at all.
  5. Recipients are eligible for only one award in their lifetime.
  6. The award is not subject to appeal. However an unsuccessful applicant may reapply in a subsequent year.

***Applications to***

The Manager

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