

## NSDRC Summer Bursary Program

### **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

#### ***How much bursary money can I apply for?***

- Bursary funding maximums change from year to year, the average bursary received is \$250.00 per child requiring additional support.
- If there are funds left at the end of the summer you may be eligible for some additional funds.

#### ***Do I have to complete separate applications for each of my children who require additional support?***

- Yes, thank you.

#### ***When are bursary applications available?***

- Bursary applications are available February 1<sup>st</sup> each year at [www.nsdrc.org](http://www.nsdrc.org)
- Submission deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup> at midnight.

#### ***I don't have a computer, how can I apply for a bursary?***

- You are welcome to come into our office to use our community computer or request a hard copy of the bursary application.

#### ***What kind of camps/programs can the bursary money be used for?***

- You are able to register your child into whatever type of summer camps/programs that work best for your child. This includes pre-school programs, recreational programs, computer classes, music or art therapy programs, social skills groups, overnight camps etc.
- Ensure that the camp/program will issue you a receipt.

#### ***Are there things that I cannot use the bursary money for?***

- Yes; bursary money cannot be used for transportation, accommodation, food costs, movie tickets, entrance fees, tutoring, adaptive equipment, occupational therapy, physio therapy, medical related costs.

#### ***When do I register for summer camps?***

- As camps/programs fill up quickly we recommend that you register your child into the camp/program you want as soon as possible. Keep your receipt for reimbursement.

***I want to use the bursary money to hire a worker but I don't know of any workers to hire, what should I do?***

- Please contact our office for a list of workers who might be available to work with your child. Remember that you will be hiring the worker and paying the worker privately.
- Once the work is completed you will have the worker complete the *Receipt of Hours Worked* form and submit to our office for reimbursement.

***How or when do I receive the bursary money?***

- Camp/Program Fees: Between July and August please submit your camp/program receipt(s) to our office.
- Hiring a worker: After the worker has worked and you have paid them, download the *Receipts of Hours Worked* form from the website, complete it and submit it to our office.
- Receipts will be processed and a cheque will be made out to you.
- You will be notified when the cheque is available for pick up at our office.

***Do you require original receipts for reimbursement?***

- Copies of receipts are fine. Receipts can be dropped off, emailed or faxed to the office. Please ensure that both your name and your child's name are clearly marked on the receipt.

***Can I have the bursary money allocated directly to the camp?***

- In some cases bursary money can be directly allocated to a camp/program. Please call our office to discuss.

***I'm financially strapped; can I receive the bursary money up front?***

- In some cases bursary money can be received before registering for a camp/program. Please contact our office to discuss this option.

***My contact information has changed, how do I update you with my new information?***

- Please contact our office and provide us with your new contact information.

***My child did not attend the camp I registered him/her into; can I use the bursary money for another camp?***

- Yes, you are able to use the bursary money for the camp/program that suites your child best.
- Please ensure you receive a receipt for the camp or program for reimbursement.

***I was awarded a bursary last year but was not able to use it. Is possible to carry the funding forward to this summer?***

- No, unused bursaries are distributed to families on the wait list who applied after the deadline.