

UNITED for kids and youth



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Are you graduating from high school or aging out of foster care?

Going to college or university opens many doors, but the cost can make post-secondary education seem beyond reach. United Way BC Youth Futures Education Fund can help you cover your basic living expenses*.

If you are currently in care or have been foster care in the past, you may be eligible for:

- Provincial Tuition Waiver
- Learning for Future Grant

To learn more on the Provincial Tuition Waiver and the Learning for Future Grant, scan the QR code.

If you are on a Tuition Waiver, you may be eligible for the YouthFutures Education Fund.



"What's great about my life is all the freedom is to be whoever I want and [to] achieve anything as an adult. I love all the opportunities to learn and do new things...[Youth Futures Education Fund] has helped me get money that has bought me food and paid bills and rent. I felt safer and more secure with the money there."

KHYNA
COAST MOUNTAIN COLLEGE STUDENT

Basic living support

Food, books, rent, phone and things like child-care can be expensive. In fact, for students, basic living expenses estimated at over \$26,000 per year. The Youth Futures Education Fund fund can help you cover living expenses while you attend school.

What can I use the funds for?

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| Food | Other Living Expenses | Computers | School Supplies |
| Phone | Rent | Health Care/Counseling | Child Care |
| Books | Transportation | Utilities | Financial Emergencies |
| Fees | Mental Health Supports | | |

* All age restrictions have been lifted for Provincial Tuition Waiver and Youth Futures Education Fund.



Accessing financial support

STEP 1:

You've applied to a post-secondary institution and been accepted.

CONGRATULATIONS!

STEP 2:

To help cover your tuition, you can apply for the Provincial Tuition Waiver Program by contacting the financial aid office at the school you'll be attending.

STEP 3:

Need help with other living expenses and costs as you study? Financial aid staff can also help you apply to the United Way BC Youth Futures Education Fund to help you cover basic living expenses.

Post-secondary Partner Financial Aid Offices

To learn more, find contact information, and view a list of the institutions that offer the Youth Futures Education Fund, visit our website:

uwbc.ca/program/youth-futures-education-fund/#financial-aid



Private Tuition Waivers

The following post-secondary institutions also offer private tuition waiver programs. Information is available through the school's financial aid office. If you are on a private tuition waiver, you may be eligible for the Youth Futures Education Fund.

- BCIT waiver • Langara College waiver • UBC waiver • NVIT waiver • UVIC waiver

Additional supports are available for former youth in care via SAJE (Strengthening Abilities and Journeys of Empowerment).

Scan the QR code to learn more.



The fund was collaboratively established in 2014 by: Coast Capital, The Province of British Columbia, and the Office of the Representative for Children and Youth. Today, United Way British Columbia runs the fund. It is held at the Vancouver Foundation.

