

## Past President's Scholarship 2022 Application Form

**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAREFULLY AND COMPLETELY.**

### Scholarship Overview

TRREB's Past President's Scholarships are awarded annually to graduating secondary school students pursuing higher learning, who show an interest in a field related to the real estate industry\* while possessing leadership skills and community service experience or volunteerism.

### Scholarship Details

**Eight (8) Scholarships totalling \$22,000 are awarded annually.** Each of the two essay topics (see 4.a. below) may have a first-, second-, third- and fourth-place winner. The scholarships include:

- Two first-place awards of \$5,000 each
- Two second-place awards of \$2,500 each
- Two third-place awards of \$2,000 each (NEW as of 2022)
- Two fourth-place awards of \$1,500 each (NEW as of 2022)

### Eligibility Requirements

1. This scholarship is applicable to **students currently in their final year of an Ontario secondary school** who are pursuing post-secondary education after graduation, for example, at a college, university, or trade school. Students must currently reside in the province of Ontario and be registered with a secondary school within the province of Ontario. Applicants must also be a Canadian citizen or have been given permanent resident status. Applicants applying to a post-secondary school outside of Ontario (or even Canada), are still eligible for the scholarship. **NOTE:** Students must currently be enrolled and attending their final year of secondary school – individuals currently taking a gap year are not eligible to apply.
2. Applications must be submitted via email to [scholarships@trebnet.net](mailto:scholarships@trebnet.net) before **3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 25, 2022.**
3. Applicants must have a record of academic achievement; show an interest in a field related to the real estate industry\* (see 4.d. below); and possess a range of leadership qualities and community involvement experience.
4. **Applicants MUST complete the Personal Information section (Page 3) of this application form and submit it together with the following documents:**
  - a. A written essay (**minimum of 1500 words/maximum of 1800 words**, typed and double-spaced) on one of the following topics:
    - i. What does the recent trend of generational wealth transfer from parents (or grandparents) to their children (or grandchildren) mean for the Greater Toronto Area – specifically, demand and competition in the real estate market, housing supply, and price of homes?
    - ii. The pandemic's ripple effects saw some Torontonians and Greater Toronto Area residents opt to leave downtown cores in search of more space in suburbia or rural areas as working from home became the new normal. Do you think this shift will continue, or do you think some will decide to return to downtown areas? What issues or outcomes regarding the economy, housing, and employment do you see arising out of this movement?
  - b. If applicable, citations must be present. The style of citation is your choice, for example, MLA, APA or Chicago. **NOTE:** Please **ensure** your essay meets the required 1500-word count minimum/1800-word count maximum) in order to avoid disqualification. The **word count includes** your personalized essay title and the main body text, including section titles, in-text citations and quotations. The word count does

- not include** the i. or ii. essay topic questions, outline, tables, figures, footnotes, references, or works cited. After double-checking, adding your word-count total on your optional cover page or at the beginning or end of your essay is highly recommended.
- c. To facilitate the judging process, please **do not** include any personal information, e.g., your name, address, and email address, on the individual essay pages (on the optional cover page is fine).
  - d. A **detailed resume** outlining academic achievements, an interest in a field related to the real estate industry\*, work experience, volunteer work, and extracurricular activities. \*And, at the top of your resume or in a separate Word or PDF document, in one to three sentences, please **explain how your chosen post-secondary studies and career goals could impact the real estate industry in the future**. For example, whether you are planning to study medicine; engineering; geography; urban planning; law; a trade, such as plumbing or construction; graphic design; app development, etc., how might your studies and your career goals affect one or more of the following: future housing and neighbourhood design and/or development, the home buying and selling processes, or the advancement of the real estate profession.
  - e. Two (2) brief letters of reference (including current contact information for each reference). The resume and letters of reference may be in paragraph, chart, bullet point, etc., format. **NOTE:** The two reference letters do not have to be from a past or current secondary school teacher; you may also consider, for example, the parent(s) of children you babysit, neighbours that you help out, a coach or leader in the sport(s) or club(s) you participate in, a lifelong family friend who knows you very well, or your supervisor at a past or present part-time job.
  - f. Your secondary school academic transcript. (Phone screenshots, scans, etc., of the original transcripts are sufficient.) **NOTE:** We understand that the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted how you are attending secondary school and may also impact the required procurement of your academic transcript. Therefore, we will accept the academic transcript that you *last received* from your secondary school.
  - g. A phone screenshot, scan, PDF, etc., of offer/s of admission to a post-secondary institution/s.
5. You may enter one essay for each topic; however, one person cannot be awarded more than one scholarship. **Duplicate and incomplete submissions will not be considered.** If you are submitting an essay for each topic, only *one* application is required. All application materials must be submitted in one email to [scholarships@trebnet.net](mailto:scholarships@trebnet.net). Email submissions will receive a **one-time** confirmation. **NOTE: Submissions should sent as individual Word or PDF documents and not as links.**
  6. All answers must be submitted in English. Answers in other languages will not be read or considered.
  7. **ONLY the eight (8) scholarship award recipients will be contacted via telephone before June 1, 2022, concerning the status of their application. All other applicants will be contacted via email after June 10, 2022.**
    - a. A scholarship award of \$5,000/not to exceed \$5,000 will be paid to each first-place award recipient, a scholarship award of \$2,500/not to exceed \$2,500 will be paid to each second-place award recipient, a scholarship award of \$2,000/not to exceed \$2,000 will be paid to each third-place award recipient, and a scholarship award of \$1,500/not to exceed \$1,500 will be paid to each fourth-place award recipient prior to the start of the first semester of post-secondary studies.
    - b. A minimum scoring standard is in effect. If this minimum standard is not met, TRREB has the right to not award any or all of the eight (8) scholarships.
  8. The decision of the judges is final and is not subject to an appeal.
  9. Please note that if any information provided by the applicant is determined by The Toronto Regional Real Estate Board (TRREB) to be inaccurate or misleading, TRREB may cancel or revoke any grant, if awarded, in its sole discretion and the applicant will be required to reimburse TRREB for the full amount of the grant, if paid.
  11. Recipients of the scholarship awards must agree to:
    - Provide consent via an email to permit the use of their name/image/essay/secondary school name, etc., to be used for promotional purposes by TRREB, and
    - Freely participate in up to six (6) hours of promotional events on behalf of TRREB. **NOTE:** Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this requirement is currently suspended.

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Although your social insurance number is not required in order to consider your application, we may request that you provide this information to TRREB in the event that you are selected to receive the scholarship, at which time, TRREB may be required to report the award to the Canada Revenue Agency.

Please review the "Consent to collect, retain, and use my personal information" clause that follows. If you agree to TRREB using the information contained in your application form for the purposes set out in that clause, please sign and date the application form where indicated.

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First Name	Last Name
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Residence Address	City or Town
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Province	Postal Code	Telephone Number	Personal Email Address
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Name of Secondary School	City or Town	Telephone Number
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Where did you hear of the scholarship?

- At my school       From a parent or friend       Through the media       BFCN  
 SeekingScholarships.com       ScholarshipsCanada.com  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_ (please specify)

*I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this application and in the enclosed documents is complete and true in all aspects. I am aware that if any of the information I have provided is determined by TRREB to be inaccurate or misleading in any way, the grant of any award to me may be revoked and cancelled by TRREB in its sole discretion. I understand that this scholarship, if awarded to me, will be paid only upon proof of acceptance at a post-secondary institution.*

### Consent to collect, retain, and use my personal information

*I understand and hereby consent to TRREB collecting, retaining, and using the information provided in this application form for the purposes of considering me for a scholarship award, and TRREB announcing to its Members and the general public that I am a scholarship award winner, if that is the decision of the judging panel, and for the promotional purposes of TRREB and of the Award program. I further understand that if my application is accepted for a scholarship, I may be required to provide my social insurance number in order that I may receive the award, as this information may be required by TRREB for reporting the scholarship award to Canada Revenue Agency (CRA).*

*In the event that my application is selected, I hereby consent to my photograph and information contained in this application being disclosed in the media to announce that I am a scholarship recipient.*

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Student Name (Please Print)	Student Signature	Date
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Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print) (If applicant is 17 years of age or younger)	Signature	Date
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All application materials will be kept strictly confidential. The information provided in this application will be used by TRREB's judging panel to select the eight (8) successful scholarship recipients.

Your phone number, mailing address and/or email may be used by TRREB to contact you. This information will not be shared, distributed or sold to any third party. Should you be awarded a scholarship, information from your application will be used in the media to publicize your win and the award.

**Essays will be judged on the following criteria:**

- Knowledge of the topic
- Grammatical accuracy and organization of essay
- Originality in approach and treatment of topic
- Ability to establish a coherent, convincing response to the topic
- Adherence to format and length rules

A minimum scoring standard is in effect. If this minimum standard is not met, TRREB has the right to not award any or all of the eight (8) scholarships.

**IMPORTANT: Application Package Checklist**

- Completed Personal Information (Page 3) section of this application form
- Essay (minimum 1500 words/1800 words maximum, typed and double-spaced) in individual Word or PDF documents **NOTE:** Please see 4.b. for important word-count information.
- Detailed resume, including "addressing an interest in a field related to the real estate industry" (see 4.d. for details)
- Two reference letters (see 4.e. for details)
- Current academic transcript (see 4.f. for details)
- Offer/s of admission to a post-secondary institution/s (see 4.g. for details)

The completed application package must be **received via email BEFORE 3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 25, 2022, to [scholarships@trebnet.net](mailto:scholarships@trebnet.net)**. All application materials must be submitted together. (Your email submission will receive one automatic reply confirmation. Please note the .net email address.)

**IMPORTANT NOTES:** Submission documents should be sent as individual Word or PDF documents, and not as links. Please ensure that your essay pages (except for the optional cover page) do not contain any personal information, such as name, email address, address, etc.

***TRREB is not responsible for any submissions that are not received, whether confirmed or not.***

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All scholarship enquiries may be directed to Christine Shallhorn at [cshallhorn@trebnet.net](mailto:cshallhorn@trebnet.net)