

## Waste to Resource Ontario Scholarship

Waste to Resource Ontario (W2RO) represents the waste management, recycling, and resource recovery sectors in Ontario. We represent over 240 public and private sector organizations across the province who manages over 85% of the province's waste and over 90% of recycling collection and processing.

A goal of the associations Communications and Community (C&C) Subcommittee is to encourage the next generation of workers to pursue careers in the waste and recycling sector. In 2024 W2RO will be launching their scholarship program. For the inaugural year, W2RO will be providing five (5) scholarships in the amount of \$2000.

To be considered for the program, applicants must be enrolled in a college, university, or trades program that will translate into work in the waste and recycling sector. Applicants interested in applying need to be Canadian residents enrolled in an accredited Canadian trade school, college, or university.

#### **Terms and Conditions:**

All applicants transfer the rights and ownership of all content submitted to W2RO, regardless of whether their application is selected as a winner. All winners of the scholarship understand their names and program could be used for promotional purposes on all W2RO platforms and any media related to the scholarship program.

Scholarship selection will be at the discretion of the W2RO appointed panel. Once winners have been selected, they will be contacted via email. All winners must provide proof of enrollment (copy of tuition bill or letter of acceptance). Upon confirmation of enrollment, winners will be publicly announced a cheque for their scholarship will be mailed out.

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_ declare that all information in this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I submit this application knowing that W2RO reserves the right to refuse assistance to any applicant who knowingly makes false statements on their application or is not in good academic standing when they are in the position to receive the payment.

Signature:

Date:



# W2RO Scholarship Rules of Eligibility

#### **Purpose:**

W2RO Scholarship program was created to support and encourage the next generation of waste and recycling sector leaders.

#### **Eligibility:**

All Canadian residents who are enrolled in a college, university, or trades program in 2024.

#### **Selection Process:**

Scholarship winners will be determined by W2RO C&C Outreach Subcommittee, with the support of W2RO staff. The committee will review all applications and make decisions based on letter of recommendation, candidate essay response, and plans for future career in waste and recycling sector.

#### Written submission must include the following:

- Signed copy of terms of scholarship
- Completed application form, including essay component.
- Reference letter(s) from previous employer or educators and/or:
- Most recent transcript

The essay component will be the focus for the selection committee. Essay component should be no more than 500 words and should be completed on a separate document and then attached as part of application.

#### **Submission Deadline:**

All submissions should be emailed to info@w2ro.org by May 1, 2024. These scholarships will be handed out annually at the Canadian Waste to Resource Conference Awards breakfast June 12 at Fallsview Casino.



### **APPLICATION FORM**

Name: Permanent Address: Phone Number: Email Address (this will be used to notify winners): Date of birth: Please list any relevant awards or scholastic achievements: Please list any extracurricular activities, interest, and employment: Name of College, University, or Trade School you plan to attend/do attend: Date of enrollment: Course: Degree sought:

Please answer essay portion on separate document:

W2RO works with its members to develop detailed research and provide expert advice with the objective of increasing recycling, addressing climate change and fostering investments and innovation in the waste and recycling management sector. Below are 3 questions, applicants must select one of the questions and write a short essay (500 words max) on how the issues impacts the waste and recycling sector.

**1.** Share a personal story or experience that sparked your interest in waste management. How has this interest evolved, and what steps do you plan to take to further this passion?

**2.** Consider your local community's waste management practices. What improvements do you think are needed, and how do you envision contributing to positive change?

3. Reflect on a small-scale initiative or project you've undertaken to reduce waste in your school or community. How did it impact those around you and how do you plan to build on this experience in your personal journey?

4. Describe your interest in pursuing a career in the waste management and recycling industry. Describe your experiences (e.g. personal, educational, work, volunteerism) and your personal characteristics that have, or could help make a positive contribution to the waste management and recycling industry.



Signature of applicant:

Signature of parent/guardian (if required):

Date: