

COLIN SIBLY AWARD GUIDELINES

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What is the Purpose of the Award?

The Colin Sibly Award has been established by the staff at the Victor Harbor High School to support young people experiencing financial hardship and who require assistance to continue their education. The award is managed by the Fleurieu Community Foundation.

The Colin Sibly Award recognises the difficulty that some young people experience whilst undertaking learning in a disrupted or dislocated family environment. Current and future educational opportunities for these young people are often restricted due to circumstances out of their control. This Award provides financial support for such young people to fully engage in their current education and learning.

The Colin Sibly Award aims to support young people who have shown initiative, strength and commitment to excel.

Individual Awards are limited to a maximum amount of \$1,000.

About Colin Sibly

Colin was a passionate educator and community minded person who saw the good in all and believed that with opportunity people's humanity could shine.

Colin lived most of his life at Port Elliot. His family were foundation members of the Port Elliot Life Saving Club in 1932-33 and it was natural that Colin would follow with years of involvement in the club. He attended Port Elliot Primary School and Victor Harbor High School.

Colin was forever the optimist, and his sense of humour, sincerity and genuine interest in everyone he met endeared him to all. His motto was *Carpe Diem* (Seize the Day).

Who Can Apply?

Young people:

- Aged 15-20 years who are attending or enrolled to attend a recognised course of study or training, and
- Who are experiencing disruption or dislocation in their home life,
- Who are experiencing difficulty in continuing their study or training but have shown initiative, strength and commitment in pursuing their educational goals, and
- Live in or attend education or training in Victor Harbor, or who have other strong associations with the Victor Harbor area.

What can the Colin Sibly Award be used for?

Funding can be used to support young people with the expense of continuing their education and training. This may include but is not limited to:

- school fees
- curriculum and course costs
- laptops and software
- uniforms
- safety clothing, stationery and equipment required to undertake study
- extracurricular activities
- transport and accommodation
- respite care
- emotional support

Applicants who have commenced study or training prior to the opening of this round of funding will be considered, however, successful applicants will only receive funding for study undertaken in the year of the Award.

Application Procedure

Applicants must complete the Application Form and enclose signed letters of recommendation from two referees. Referees should have a direct knowledge of the applicant's character, life situation and educational/training goals and aspirations.

Applicants are welcome to discuss their application with a Director of the Fleurieu Community Foundation and are encouraged to do so if they are unsure of their eligibility to apply or need assistance. Feel free to contact the Foundation by phoning 08 8552 2411.

All successful applicants will be required to sign the Fleurieu Community Foundation Funding Conditions and provide a brief summary on the use of the funds.

Applications must be lodged by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date.

The completed Application together with supporting documentation should be posted to:

Colin Sibly Award
Fleurieu Community Foundation,
PO Box 246
Victor Harbor SA 5211

Or emailed to: info@fleurieucommunityfoundation.org.au

Closing date for nominations: Monday 6th December 2021
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Application Review Process

An Advisory Committee will evaluate applications for the Award and make recommendations to the Fleurieu Community Foundation Board.

The Board has the final approval on the distribution of the Award.

To ensure that informed decisions are made, on occasions, applicants will be requested to provide further information.

Timing of decisions will be dependent on Board meetings however it is expected that successful applicants will be notified within 10 days of applications closing.

Applicants will be notified in writing of the outcome of their application.

Scholarship payments and tax

Recipients of education awards or scholarships are strongly encouraged to seek their own advice from Centrelink, the Australian Taxation Office, or a financial adviser for assistance regarding their own financial situation.

Successful applicants will be required to provide proof of enrolment before receiving the award payment.

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NOMINATION FORM

Personal details	
First Name:	
Family Name:	
Date of Birth:	
Postal Address:	
Residential Address:	
Telephone:	
Mobile:	
Email:	
School currently attended:	
Current school year level:	
Proposed education course or training	
Name of course or training that you want to undertake:	
Name of course/training provider:	
Start Date:	
Finish Date:	
Briefly describe your association with Victor Harbor?	
Motivation	
How do you propose to use the award?	

Why do you want to undertake this course or training?

What barriers or challenges are you facing in furthering your studies or education?

Referees
 Please provide the name and contact details of two referees. Please also provide two signed letters of recommendation from your referees with this application form.

Referee 1:

Name:

Relationship:

Phone:

Email:

Referee 2:

Name:

Relationship:

Phone:

Email:

- I declare that all the information provided in this application form is true and correct.
- I understand that if the Fleurieu Community Foundation approves the award, I will be required to accept the conditions of the award as outlined in the Award Conditions.
- I give permission to the Fleurieu Community Foundation to contact any persons or organisations in assessment of the application and understand that information may be provided to other organisations as appropriate.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____
 (Parent or Guardian's signature if applicant under the age of 18)