

KIDS UNDER COVER SCHOLARSHIPS



Building foundations
to prevent youth
homelessness

We can help you pay for your
studies or training.

2019 full-year applications
open Monday 15 October 2018

Applications close: Friday 30 November 2018

1. Are you 15 – 25 years old?
2. Will you be studying or undertaking training in 2019?
3. Do you live in a Kids Under Cover studio or in the main house where a studio is located?

If you answered **YES** to all of the questions above,
you are eligible to apply for a mid-year scholarship.

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What is a scholarship?

Scholarships are financial assistance to help with education and training costs.

How much can be applied for?

You are able to apply for the following amounts depending upon the level of study or training you are undertaking in 2019:

- \$600 for Year 10 at Secondary School.
- \$1,100 for Year 11 / 12 at Secondary School or the equivalent at TAFE.
- \$1,300 for Tertiary (post – secondary) level courses.

Please note: you will be applying for the whole amount and do not need to specify expenses at the time of application.

What can the money be used for?

Things to help you with your studies, for example – textbooks, uniforms, laptop, printer, excursions, transport and stationary.

What type of course do I need to be doing?

- Secondary School - Year 10, Year 11 or Year 12.
- TAFE – Certificate I, II, III, IV or Diploma or Apprenticeship.
- University - Undergraduate degree (i.e. Bachelor).

How do I apply?

Applying for a scholarship is easy - visit the Kids Under Cover website at www.kuc.org.au and in our scholarship section you will be able to submit an online application form.

What if I'm not confident with computers and the internet?

Call the Kids Under Cover Scholarship Coordinator on (03) 9429 7444, if you need help completing the online application form. You can also email scholarship@kuc.org.au

When do I need to apply by?

Applications close at 5:00pm on Friday 30 November 2018.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Please have a look through this booklet or visit the website www.kuc.org.au



There are two application rounds per year. This is the first application round for 2019.

You may only apply once per year.

What time period is covered by the scholarship?

The 2019 scholarships can only be used to cover educational expenses incurred in 2019.

What costs aren't covered by the scholarship?

- Course fees covered by loan schemes such as HECS or FEE HELP.
Note: TAFE courses that are designed to progress to an undergraduate university degree are covered by FEE HELP and therefore are ineligible.
- Any expenses incurred in previous years prior to 2019.

What do I need to have before I apply?

1) EMAIL ADDRESS

You must have an email address in order to submit and receive communication about your application.

Please contact the **Kids Under Cover Scholarship Coordinator** if you wish to apply for a scholarship but do not have email / internet access.

2) DOCUMENTS

You will be asked to upload and attach the following supporting documentation to your application:

- Confirmation of enrolment document for the 2019 year.
- A supporting letter from a professional who is aware of the young person's/ family's personal circumstances. For example a doctor, counsellor, case or social worker, school staff member or community leader.

3) STUDIO REFERENCE NUMBER

This is the unique ID attached to your Kids Under Cover studio; this ID begins with a letter and is followed by four numbers.

You will be asked to quote your Studio Reference Number on the scholarship application form.

Please contact Kids Under Cover if you are unsure of your Studio Reference Number.

We don't have a computer or online access – Can I apply through a paper application?

No. Applications for the Kids Under Cover Scholarship Program must be submitted online. We recommend using a local public library or internet kiosk if you do not have any other access to a computer or the internet.

How will I know if I'm successful?

After the application closing date, Kids Under Cover will review all applications against the priority assessment criteria. We will send you a letter telling you whether your application has been successful or not.

WHAT ARE THE STEPS INVOLVED?

- 1 Apply**
Complete and submit the [online application](#). Note: Incomplete application forms or those submitted after the closing date will not be accepted
- 2 Kids Under Cover Review**
Kids Under Cover will review all applications against the priority assessment criteria
- 3 Notification**
Applicants will be notified of the scholarship application outcome by mail
- 4 Money Transfer**
If the scholarship application was successful, scholarship funds will be paid into the nominated bank account
- 5 Use the Funds**
Scholarship recipients use the scholarship funds for educational or training expenses in accordance with the provided guidelines
- 6 Record & Submit Expenses**
The scholarship recipient or the primary contact person is responsible for recording scholarship expenditure on the online Scholarship Expenditure Form provided
- 7 Submit an Evaluation Form**
The scholarship recipient or primary responsible contact person is required to submit a Scholarship Evaluation Form prior to the end of the 2019 to outline how the scholarship has assisted the young person.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

I was awarded a Kids Under Cover Scholarship in a previous year, can I apply again?

Yes. You can submit a new application each year, as long as you meet the eligibility criteria.

Can more than one person from the same household be awarded a scholarship during the same year?

Yes. As long as each person has submitted their own separate application then these will be reviewed independently of each other. It is possible for more than one young person in the same household to be awarded a scholarship in the same year.

I used to live in a Kids Under Cover Studio, but no longer do. Can I still apply for a scholarship?

No. Only young people who are currently living in a Kids Under Cover Studio, or young people who are currently living in the main house where the studio is located, are able to apply. However, exceptions may be made if the young person is residing elsewhere temporarily as a direct result of their study / training course (i.e. living in student accommodation).

I don't live in a Kids Under Cover Studio, am I eligible for a Kids Under Cover Scholarship?

Yes. If you live in the main house where a Kids Under Cover studio is located.

We are on the waiting list for a Kids Under Cover Studio, can I apply for a scholarship?

You are only able to apply for a scholarship if the studio has already been constructed and the young person the studio was built for is living in it.

I am 14 years old; can I apply for a scholarship?

Only if you turn 15 before 30 November in the year in which the scholarship will be awarded.

I am 25 years old, but I turn 26 before 30 June 2019 can I apply for a scholarship?

No. You are only able to apply for a scholarship if you are aged 15 – 25 years as of 30 June in the year in which the scholarship will be awarded.

My biological parents are foster parents for a young person who is residing in a Kids Under Cover Studio on our property, am I able to apply for a scholarship?

Yes. A scholarship application can come from any young person that meets the eligibility criteria, which includes young people living in the main house where a studio is located.

Can I apply for more money than what is stated?

No. Scholarship funds are set at three set amounts depending upon the level of study or training a young person is undertaking. The set amounts are the maximum funds available to one person.

Do I need to state in the application what the money will be spent on?

No. When you apply you do not need to provide a list of the expenditure amounts or items. The amount applied for is based on your level of study. After receiving the funds, you will need to record how you spent the money and report it back to Kids Under Cover using the online Scholarship Expenditure Form that will be provided to you.



Still
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