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## **The Sharon deGaspé Power & Gilbert Pommepuy Medical Scholarship** **for a student entering a health related program**

### **Information**

Founded in 1984, Force 3 Medical inc. was a privately owned distributor of medical products, specializing in mechanical heart valves. The increasing need of trained medical professionals, due to the fast growing elderly population, Sharon deGaspé Power and Gilbert Pommepuy, residents of Havelock, to create this scholarship. They have been inspired to support the Chateauguay Valley Regional High School students by establishing this scholarship, through their many years of involvement with CVR Educational Foundation.

Each year, one scholarship of \$3,000 will be awarded to a student in the graduating class who is pursuing his/her post-secondary studies in a two-year pre-university science program with the aim of entering medicine or health science at the university level as well as those students entering a Registered Nursing program or a 3 year health related CEGEP career program. Students apply for the scholarship following the criteria and guidelines set out by the CVR Educational Foundation. Students must demonstrate their involvement in extra-curricular activities (volunteer work in the community) during grades 10 and 11 – with attestation of such. Students in the Universal Program can use the attestation they receive from the Universal Program director confirming he/she has successfully completed the requirements of the volunteer hours during the five years in high school as specified by the Universal Program. Students in other Programs will provide a letter(s) confirming their involvement from the organization(s) they have volunteered with. Applications are subjected to a blind review by 3 independent evaluators. Consult [cvredfoundation.com](http://cvredfoundation.com) to find out submission dates and deadline for this bursary (2<sup>nd</sup> round).

The Scholarship is awarded at the graduation ceremonies at the end of the school year. The recipient receives 3000 \$ over 3 years (6 semesters) in equal installments (September and January of each year) provided she/he confirms full-time attendance at a post-secondary institution and maintains an 80 % average each semester.

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## **Criteria**

Dear applicant,

Bear in mind that the following criteria are used by the jury members that will review your submission. Please feel free to show this document to the people who will be writing your letters of reference.

### **1. Letters of Intent (10 points)**

**We have broken down the letter into the components below. If any components are absent from the student's letter, no mark is awarded for that component.**

- Does the applicant have clearly defined goals? (Are the post-secondary goals, program and career path clearly defined?).
- Has the applicant stated what experiences influenced his/her chosen career path? Within this context, the following may be used as examples, if applicable:
  - School life at any level (sports, cultural, leadership).
  - Involvement in extra-curricular activities (volunteer work in the community) during grades 10 and 11 – with attestation of such.
  - Community life (working for service groups, sports organizations, churches, agricultural organizations).
  - Work experience (part-time and/or summer jobs).
- General presentation (proper letter writing format etc.).
- At the discretion of the evaluator.

### **2. Financial Assessment Form (20 points)**

The applicant must express the need for financial support by completing the **Financial Need Assessment** form. Extenuating circumstances should be detailed if applicable.

### **3. Two Letters of Reference, one from a CVR Educator and one from outside the school milieu (10 points)**

- **Letter of Reference from a CVR Educator**
  - Student's ability as perceived by an educator (Student's character, academic success and how involvement at school has shaped this applicant; i.e. sports, culture, leadership, etc.).
  - Post-secondary academic potential.
  - General work ethic (Student's work habits and attitude).
- **Letter of Reference from outside CVR or the school milieu**
  - Character Reference (General demeanor and work ethic as observed by the author).
  - Students must demonstrate their involvement in extra-curricular activities (volunteer work in the community) during grades 10 and 11 – with attestation of such.
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  - Students in other Programs will provide a letter(s) confirming their involvement from the organization(s) they have volunteered with.

### **4. Marks (10 points)**

The applicant must submit a copy of the most recent MEES (Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'enseignement supérieur du Québec) Record of Achievement as well as a copy of their latest CVRHS report card (Term 2).

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## **Selection procedures and instructions**

- ◆ The CVR Educational Foundation will call for applications.
- ◆ The application procedures should clearly state that the bursary is open to all CVR students in Secondary 5 who intend to pursue their post-secondary studies in a two-year pre-university science program with the aim of entering medicine or health science at the university level as well as those students entering a Registered Nursing program or a 3 year health related CEGEP career program.
- ◆ Application deadline is announced by CVR's Guidance Counselor and on [cvredfoundation.com](http://cvredfoundation.com). CVR's Guidance Counselor will be available to play a role in assisting students in the application process, and in forwarding these applications to the CVR Educational Foundation.
- ◆ The applicant is responsible to complete and submit all the documents (unfolded and no staples) listed in the criteria in a large sealed envelope addressed to: CVR Educational Foundation / S. DeGaspé Power & G.Pommepuy Medical Scholarship. The envelope can be given to the Guidance Counselor or brought to the CVRHS reception desk. **In addition to the documents listed in the criteria, the applicant is asked to include a copy of his/her letter of acceptance in the program. If the applicant has not yet received an answer at the time of submission, he/she must send it by e-mail to the CVR Ed Foundation (go to [cvredfoundation.com/contact/](http://cvredfoundation.com/contact/) to upload and send your document) when received. This scholarship will not be awarded without acceptance in one of the required programs.**
- ◆ Students must demonstrate their involvement in extra-curricular activities (volunteer work in the community) during grades 10 and 11 – with attestation of such.
- ◆ Students in the Universal Program can use the attestation they receive from the Universal Program director confirming he/she has successfully completed the requirements of the volunteer hours during the five years in high school as specified by the Universal Program. Students in other Programs will provide a letter(s) confirming their involvement from the organization(s) they have volunteered with.
- ◆ Every year, one Sharon deGaspé Power & Gilbert Pommepuy Medical Scholarship of \$3,000 shall be awarded at the graduation ceremonies at the end of the school year.
- ◆ The CVR Educational Foundation Coordinator reviews all applications, removes all identifying marks, prepares and submits the applications to the jury for consideration. Each application is reviewed and scored by a jury of 3 members. Jury members to include Mrs. De Gaspé Power<sup>1</sup> Results of the evaluations are compiled and a recipient is selected.
- ◆ The CVR Educational Foundation will disburse 6 equal installments of 500 \$ (September and January of each year, for 3 years) to the recipient, provided he/she :
- ◆ Maintains an overall average of 80% every semester with a full-time status in the declared program at CEGEP. The recipient will be responsible to communicate to the CVR Educational Foundation his/her results and timetables every semester to receive the scheduled installments
- ◆ Maintains an annual accumulated G.P.A. of 3.7 with a full-time status in the declared program at university. The recipient will be responsible to communicate to the CVR Educational Foundation his/her results and timetables annually to receive the scheduled installments.

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<sup>1</sup> It is expected that members excuse themselves in the case of a conflict of interest.