



VINCE MURRAY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Applicant Eligibility and Conditions

The Canadian Peace Officers' Memorial Association pays tribute to peace officers who have lost their lives in the performance of their duties. On the last Sunday in September each year, a Memorial Service is held on Parliament Hill honouring both fallen peace and police officers.

The CPOMA is the representative body for all recognized and unrepresented Peace Officers across Canada for the purpose of the national memorial service. Police and Military Police are not members of CPOMA as they are represented by The Canadian Police Association (CPA) and the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACFP).

The CPOMA Scholarship Program is an extension of the association's mandate to promote the national recognition of fallen peace officers by providing financial support for affected families with dependants enrolled full time in a post secondary educational institution. The program consists of up to three (3) \$1000 National Scholarships awarded annually to dependent children of peace officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty and who are part of a CPOMA member organization.

This scholarship will be presented in memory of Vincent Murray, a principal founder of CPOMA. Vincent immigrated to Canada from Ireland and became an Ontario corrections officer. He recognized a need to honour Canadian peace officers who died while serving the public and dedicated himself to establishing a national celebration compared to that which already existed for police officers. The first ceremony honouring fallen Canadian peace officers took place in 1994. Sadly, Vincent Murray passed away in 2014 due to illness. Today, there exists a single annual national celebration, on parliament hill in Ottawa, to remember and honour both police and peace officers who lost their lives in the service of the Canadian public.

Applicant eligibility:

1. Applicant must be a dependent child of a fallen peace officer recognized by CPOMA
2. Applicant must be currently enrolled full time (60% of full course load) in a designated educational institution * program of a year or more.
**As defined by subsection 118.6(1) of the Income Tax Act (Canada) and listed by the Ministry of Employment and Social Development.*
3. Applicant must not have previously received a scholarship from CPOMA.



Canadian Peace Officers' Memorial Association
L'Association canadienne commémorative des agents de la paix

How to apply:

1. The eligible candidate must complete and submit the application.
2. The eligible candidate must also submit a **composition that relates to Canadian peace officers in general or a specific Canadian peace officer**.
3. All applications and composition submissions must be received by CPOMA by May 31st of each year
4. CPOMA must receive proof of enrollment in the educational institution by August 1st.
5. Applications and composition submissions must be mailed to: CPOMA Scholarship Committee, 1741 Woodward Dr, Ottawa, ON K2C 0P9.

Compositions:

Composition submissions will be original works created and submitted by the candidate. Compositions will alternate each year between two types:

- a. A **literary work** of at least 800 words: includes an essay or a short story.
- b. An **audio-visual work** of at least 3 minutes: includes a short cinema/video, musical or art works, animated feature or a photo slide show (photos taken by candidate)

A **literary work** must accompany applications submitted in even numbered years starting in 2018 then 2020, 2022 and so on.

An **audio-visual work** must accompany applications submitted in odd numbered years starting in 2019, then 2021, 2023 and so on

Compositions must relate to the Canadian Peace Officer theme. Scoring will be based on:

1. Originality
2. Audience engagement
3. Effective promotion of Canadian peace officer (s)
4. Technical skills (in language, music, art or multimedia)

PLEASE NOTE:

- Compositions earning scholarships become the property of CPOMA and may be used to promote the memorial service or the association.
- Unsuccessful applicants can have their composition returned **upon request** and may resubmit in subsequent years.
- Scholarships are not restricted to first year students.
- CPOMA reserves the right to withhold scholarships in the event there are no qualified applicants or for other valid reasons.
- Applications and submissions will **not be accepted by email**.
- Visit us at www.cpoma.ca or if you have any questions, email secretary@cpoma.ca or president@cpoma.ca or call 613-322-4491 and leave a message.