

ABOUT CCAC

The Council of Caribbean Associations - Canada (CCAC) is a registered non-profit umbrella organization comprising of registered national Associations Caribbean countries; operating in the GTA.

The registered member associations include Alliance of Guyanese Canadian Organizations; Antigua & Barbuda Association of Toronto; Association of Bahamians in Canada; Barbados Overseas Community-Canada Inc.; Commonwealth of Dominica, Ontario Association; Grenada Association (Toronto); La Maison d'Haiti du Grand Toronto; Jamaica Diaspora Canada Foundation; Montserrat Association (Toronto); NevCan Cultural Association; St. Kitts & Nevis Association of Toronto; St. Lucia Toronto Association; St. Vincent and the Grenadines Association of Toronto and Trinidad & Tobago Association of Ontario.

Launched in 2009; the organization aims at among other things; to work with other organizations in our community that represent and cater primarily to people of Caribbean descent who have made Canada their home. CCAC focuses on three major areas (1) to assist young persons in their pursuit of higher learning and sustainable employment; (2) to undertake a disaster preparedness program that provides outreach and guidance when disasters strike the Caribbean; and (3) to work with our seniors to better provide them vital information to enhance their productivity in the golden years.

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CCAC'S SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Purpose:

To encourage and assist youth from Caribbean countries who are currently resident in Ontario to pursue their educational goals at the university or college level.

To recognize academic efforts; community involvement and contribution in the Caribbean community in Ontario.

Number and Value of Awards:

CCAC will annually determine the number of bursaries it will make available for open competition. The value of each bursary to be awarded annually is CDN \$1,000.00. The bursary is non-renewable and non-transferable. The bursary is to be used towards full course of study; leading to a first diploma or first degree.



2013 BURSARY RECIPIENTS



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ALEXANDER BAHADUR

Alexander is eighteen years old and a recent graduate of Louise Arbour Secondary School. He was a member of the school's Student Activities Council for two consecutive years, a Link Crew Leader and a member of his school's baseball team. He is a proud Valedictorian of his graduating class and recipient of the Governor General's Award.

Within the wider community, he was a Royal Canadian Air Cadet for five years and also volunteered at his local doctor's office this past year.

Alexander has worked with the City of Brampton as a Special Needs Camp Leader for two years and has truly made a connection with this group of individuals.

Alexander is currently attending McMaster University in Hamilton where he is enrolled in the Health Sciences Program. His aspiration is to continue to develop his scientific abilities for the purpose of medical applications, and wish to continue to work with the special needs community in the future.



CIERA JAMES

Ciera James, aka CJ is an honors graduate of St. Margaret D'Youville Catholic School in Brampton.

CJ is a very dedicated and hardworking student who is easy going, respectful and gets along well with peers and faculty.

She has been able to juggle very challenging semesters of school along with extra curriculum, volunteering and leadership opportunities.

Her competitive spirit playing rugby; leadership in advocating for diverse cultures in schools; commitment to the community and volunteering in the annual water festival all clearly shows Ciera as a very well rounded young woman.

Ciera also has a solid core of peers who value her opinion. It is refreshing to see such a well-rounded student interacting with friends, kids and various members of the community representing the perfect role model of a Canadian Caribbean young adult.

She is currently enrolled as a full time student at Carlton University in media studies.

Ciera is grateful for this bursary and would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has contributed to this bursary, monetary or otherwise.