TYLAH WEST EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES 2027

Key Dates	
Opening Date	13/10/2026
Closing Date	31/10/2026
Interviews	11/11/2026
Applications informed of outcomes	26/11/2026
Direct credit forms must be returned	07/12/2026
Funding distributed	14/01/2027
Scholarship Presentation	April 2027
Scholarship value	Based on applicant need and available funds

Please read and retain these guidelines before completing your application online.

Education, training and employment can open doors to new opportunities, build confidence and create pathways to greater independence and financial security. The Tylah West Education Scholarship aims to help reduce some of the financial barriers that Housing Trust tenants may face in pursuing their education, training and employment goals.

The scholarship is named in memory of **Tylah West**, a young Aboriginal trainee who worked at Housing Trust. Established with the support of Tylah's family and awarded with their ongoing involvement, the scholarship honours Tylah's legacy by supporting tenants to achieve their aspirations.

The Tylah West Education Scholarship provides assistance to Housing Trust tenants undertaking education, training, employment-related activities and other opportunities that support their personal and professional development.

What sort of costs will be considered?

- computers, office equipment and supplies
- school, TAFE and uni fees
- uniforms, tools and equipment
- tutoring
- textbooks
- other items may be considered (mobile phones are excluded)

Who is eligible?

- applicants must be an approved tenant living in a Housing Trust property
- studying, training or starting a new job in 2027
- attend primary or high school in 2027
- more than one eligible household member may apply
- there are no age restrictions for applicants

- parental or guardian consent is required for all applicants under 18 years of age
- you must be meeting the terms of your tenancy agreement with Housing Trust

Assessment Criteria:

- must have fully completed the application form. Assistance may be obtained from the scholarship managers
- applications will only be accepted whilst the scholarship is open on the Housing Trust website
- applicants are required to attend an interview either in person or over the phone to gain deeper insights into a potential recipient's alignment with the scholarship goals
- must demonstrate their capacity to undertake work or study with commitment and enthusiasm
- must provide details of their education, training or work goals and what they hope to achieve
- must be prepared to provide evidence of the cost of the items or course applied for if requested
- We encourage all recipients to attend the scholarship presentation or luncheon and share in the celebration of their achievements.

What happens if my scholarship application is successful?

- you will receive an email or letter stating the amount of scholarship funding you have been awarded
- you will receive a direct credit form that will need to be filled out and returned to Housing Trust by the due date or funding may be voided
- funding will be available mid to late January 2027
- recipients applying for tuition, computers or equipment may need to provide an invoice/quote which Housing Trust may pay direct to the supplier
- recipients will be required to provide feedback during and at the conclusion of the scholarship
- all scholarship winners will be required to attend a luncheon or presentation in April 2027. Future scholarships will not be considered if recipients decline. In extenuation circumstances please contact scholarship managers at TWES@housingtrust.org.au
- recipients may be photographed and videoed to assist with promotion of the scholarship. These may be used on our website, social media, annual reports and presentations outside of Housing Trust. Please contact scholarship managers should you have any concerns as allowances may be made

Demand for the Tylah West Education Scholarships is often high, and there may be more eligible applicants than funding available. Applications will all be assessed against the selection criteria. To help support as many students as possible, Housing Trust may reduce individual scholarship amounts or prioritise applicants who have not previously received a scholarship. This helps ensure the limited funding available can benefit a broad range of students.

All applications will be assessed through a fair, transparent and impartial selection process. The decisions of the selection panel in relation to scholarship awards and all aspects of the application process are final. To maintain the integrity of the process, appeals will not be considered.

Should you have any questions please call the Housing Trust office on 4254 1166 or email the scholarship managers at TWES@housingtrust.org.au Should you wish to escalate your queries please contact Rachel Foster, Executive Manager Communications and Engagment at info@housingtrust.org.au