

FirstOntario awards scholarships to young community leaders and students who are serious about their studies

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Hamilton, ON, July 22, 2020 – FirstOntario recently celebrated students with \$13,000 in education awards going to those who are committed to making a difference in their community while also demonstrating some stellar achievements in education. The credit union has been offering the monetary awards for over 15 years and has given \$136,750 by way of scholarships to more than 100 super-successful recipients.

“I would like to wish all of the students good luck as they embark on an exciting journey over the next few years,” said Lloyd Smith, FirstOntario’s CEO. “Their commitment to their communities and to their studies should not go unnoticed – that’s why we continue to recognize their accomplishments by doing what we can to help them through their post-secondary education.”

A few of this year’s winners are [featured in this video](#).

Each individual award is valued at \$1,000. This year, FirstOntario awarded post-secondary scholarships to 13 wonderful students. The program is open to all first and second-year post-secondary students, not just Members of the credit union, aged 25 or younger. Successful applicants – who must maintain an average grade of 70% or higher – are recognized for some very impressive qualities that include;

- Volunteer work in the community that embodies the philosophies of caring, co-operation and community,
- Leadership abilities that currently contribute to their community
- A vision to show how they will use their education today to make a difference tomorrow

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