

THE MARGARET MOODY SCHOLARSHIP

The Margaret Moody Scholarship Fund was established as a support facility for persons with disabilities resulting from proceeds of a bequest of Ms. Margaret Moody, a friend of the community of persons with disabilities. The objectives are:

1. To provide financial assistance to persons with disabilities to access to tertiary education and courses for specialist qualification.
2. To encourage academic excellence among persons with disabilities.
3. To increase the intellectual and vocational capacities of persons with disabilities.

Desired Impact

It is desired that this programme will have an impact on:

1. The level of qualification attained by persons with disabilities for more effective integration in the employment sector.
2. The strengthening of the Disability Sector through:
 - A. improved self advocacy
 - B. leadership for community development
 - C. programme development within the sector
 - D. Stimulation of a more positive attitude for self-actualization among persons with disabilities.

Criteria for Awards

To this end the selection process will take into consideration the following criteria:

1. All applicants must be fully registered with the Jamaica Council for Persons with Disabilities.
2. An applicant must pursue studies to the Diploma, Associate Degree or Bachelors Degree level. Applications should be accompanied by an acceptance offer letter from the institution where not received on time the acceptance letter must be submitted prior to the interview of the clients short listed.
3. Priority will be given to applicants pursuing training for the first time at the tertiary level; and/or students who have maintained a "b" average or a 3.00 GPA (grade point average). GPA during current studies.

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4. Support can be extended for the duration of the course, subject to the applicant maintaining an annual average performance of not less than a "B" grade / 3.00 GPA average (A progress report must be submitted before fees are paid)
5. All successful awardees must complete 40 voluntary hours per annum. Twenty (20) hours within the Disability community that is independent of their substantive employment and Twenty (20) hours with a non disability related organization during the period of study. Performance and voluntary work must be substantiated by signed time sheets/card by the head or designated officer of the institutions to which the voluntary services were provided. Time sheets/cards will be provided by the JCPD. Services provided within an applicant's organization will not be considered.
6. Scholarship grants will not exceed \$150,000 per annum and Scholarship can be used for tuition, boarding and materials
7. Applications must be made using the prescribed form and submitted to the Jamaica Council for Persons with Disability by the end of July each year.
8. Applications must be accompanied by an essay of no more than 250 words which should include information such as:
 - Biographic data on the applicant
 - Reason(s) for the request (need for financial assistance)
 - Reason(s) for the course of study selected and how it will impact the applicant and the community of persons with disabilities.
9. Financial support applied for, obtained or promised for the same academic year should be disclosed to the committee at the interview.
10. Two (2) character references is to be provided, at least one (1) should come from a Justice of the Peace, Minister of Religion, Teacher or Principal. The other can be supplied by any of the above not selected or anyone else.
11. The last available performance report should accompany the application; ie CXC results, for students currently enrolled in University last performance report.
12. Where an applicant is not given the scholarship they can apply in successive year. Clients who were disqualified can also reapply once their grade improves.

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Jamaica Council for Persons with Disabilities

**APPLICATION FORM
FOR
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Name in full (Mr./Miss/Mrs.): _____

Permanent Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Gender: Male: Female:

TRN: _____ Nationality: _____

Number of Dependents: _____ Age (s): _____

Disability: _____

Employment Status: Employed Unemployed Student

Next of Kin: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Educational Background:

Institution	Year Attended	Academic Qualification

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Institution Applied to or currently attending (name and address): _____

Course to be/or being pursued: _____

Certification at Completion: _____

Intended Date of Commencement: _____

Intended Date of Completion: _____

Present and Past Occupation: _____

Name & Address of Employer	Job Title	From	To

Extra-curricular Activities: _____

Voluntary Service Rendered:

ORGANIZATION	POSITION	From	To

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Intended Voluntary Service:

ORGANIZATION	POSITION	From	To

Career Goal: _____

Declare (1) any Scholarship/Bursary you have applied for, (2) any Scholarship/Bursary you are currently enjoying or (3) any Scholarship/Bursary you may have received during you current course of study

Persons to be notified in case of emergency

Name	Address	Telephone	Relations

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Any other relevant information: _____

NB. False information will lead to the withdrawal of the scholarship offer. All applicants must be registered with the Jamaica Council for Persons with Disabilities. This is important, as it stands to verify that the applicant has a permanent disability.

CERTIFICATION: I certify that the information given in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If selected as recipient of the Margaret Moody/Government of Jamaica Scholar, I agree to comply with the regulations and conditions governing such Scholarship.

Date: _____ Signature of Applicant: _____

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