



ONTARIO VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Future Veterinarian Bursaries for Equity-Deserving High School Students

The Ontario Veterinary Medical Association (OVMA) is proud to announce the second year of the **Future Veterinarian Bursaries**, created to support equity-deserving high school students pursuing a career in veterinary medicine.

These bursaries are intended to help remove financial barriers that have historically limited diversity in the profession - a need identified through OVMA's own research. OVMA hopes to encourage and empower a more diverse generation of future veterinarians by offering financial support at a pivotal stage in their education.

For the 2025–2026 school year, three bursaries of \$1,000 each will be awarded to Ontario high school students who identify as Indigenous, persons with disabilities, members of visible minority groups, and/or immigrants to Canada, and who demonstrate both financial need and a passion for veterinary medicine. OVMA's EDI and Well-Being Committee will select recipients.

This bursary is an important first step toward advancing diversity and inclusion in veterinary medicine. OVMA looks forward to collaborating with educators to help deserving students take their first steps toward a rewarding veterinary career.

A copy of the application can be found here:
<https://www.ovma.org/what-we-do/future-veterinarian-bursary>

The deadline for applications is April 30th, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact OVMA's Chief Experience Officer, Terra Shastri at tshastri@ovma.org