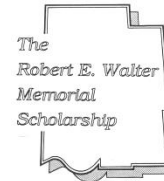


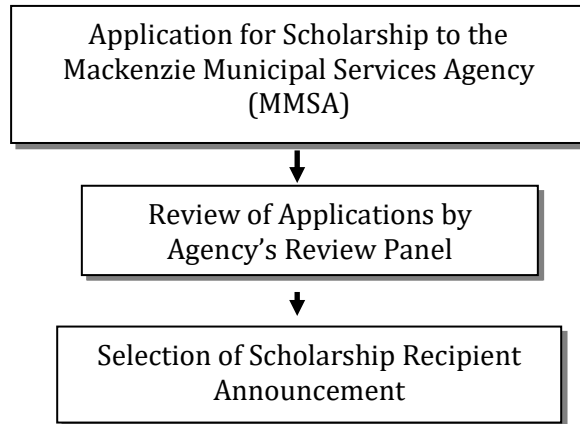
# Robert E. Walter Memorial Scholarship



## Purpose of the Scholarship

The purpose of the Robert E. Walter Memorial Scholarship is to financially assist persons from member municipalities of the Mackenzie Regional Planning Commission taking post-secondary programs who plan to utilize their education in a career based in local government in the North Peace or Mackenzie regions of northern Alberta.

## Scholarship Review Process



## Funding Available

One \$2000 scholarship per year. Recipient may receive a total of two (2) scholarships per program but is required to apply a second time in order to be considered.

## Eligibility



The Applicant must be a resident of The Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency's member municipalities. Member Municipalities are listed on the back of this brochure.

The Applicant is a high school graduate who will be or is currently attending a post-secondary education program;

Or

The Applicant is currently in the work force but will be attending a post-secondary education program to upgrade skills.

Continuing Education is eligible.

Only students enrolled in studies leading towards working in local government will be considered.

## How to Apply for a Scholarship

1. Provide a cover letter indicating the following:
  - a. Your intentions for the Robert E. Walter Memorial Scholarship funds;
  - b. Your goals for your future;
  - c. Why you feel you would be deserving of the scholarship funds; and
  - d. Your resume.
2. Include letters of recommendation from:
  - a. Teachers or staff from the school you have attended or employers you currently work for. *Recommendations can be based on financial need, work ethic, community involvement or academic standing.*
  - b. A member of the community. *Recommendations can be based on citizenship, character, or involvement in community activities.*
3. Complete and sign the **Application Form**.
4. Include a copy of your transcripts.
5. Include a list of your academic achievements and community involvement.

## Regulations

- Funds must be used to pursue post-secondary education in Alberta or Canada.
- Funds may be used for tuition, fees, room and board, and/or books and supplies.
- An account of how the funds were used will be forwarded to the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency.
- Applicant agrees to retain employment in the North Peace or Mackenzie regions for one (1) year following graduation.
- **If granted, and the recipient fails to do the above noted, the entirety of the grant funds shall be returned to the review panel.**

## **Deadline for Applications**

Application packages should be forwarded for consideration to the **Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency at Box 450 Berwyn AB T0H 0E0** or [info@mmsa.ca](mailto:info@mmsa.ca) prior to **March 31<sup>st</sup>** each year.

## **Robert E. Walter**

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Bob Walter was truly one of the Mackenzie Region's leaders. His hard work, commitment and self-sacrifice resulted in many positive results and gained recognition for northern Alberta. Bob also initiated a standard of excellence for future generations to work towards.

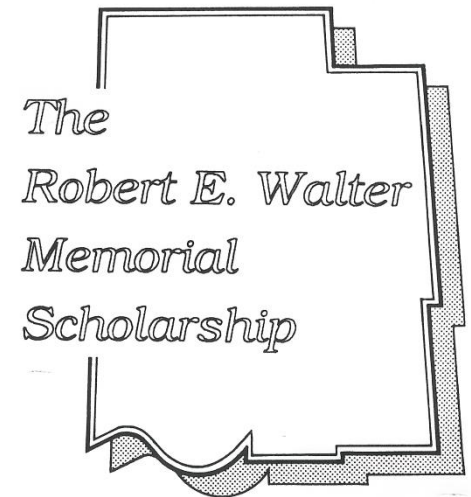
Bob was the Town of High Level's first Mayor. Prior to this, he was a member of the New Town of High Level's Board of Administrators. Bob was a founding member of the Mackenzie Regional Planning Commission (presently named the **Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency**), an organization that he chaired for many years. Bob was also a member of the Minister of Municipal Affairs' Council on Local Development. In all these ventures, Bob represented our part of Alberta well and always promoted the on-going enhancement of northern Alberta.

Bob had an unwavering opinion on the need for northern Alberta educational opportunities, and retaining youth in the region. With this in mind and in memory of this outstanding individual, the Robert E. Walter Memorial Scholarship was established.

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### **North Peace and Mackenzie Regions includes the following Municipalities:**

Village of Berwyn, Town of Falher, Town of Grimshaw, Town of High Prairie, Town of Manning, Village of Nampa, Town of Rainbow Lake, Clear Hills County, Northern Sunrise County, MD of Fairview No. 136, MD of Peace No. 135, MD. Of Spirit River No. 133, Town of Spirit River



# **Application Guidelines**

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Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency  
Box 450, Berwyn AB T0H 0E0  
Phone: 780-338-3862  
[info@mmsa.ca](mailto:info@mmsa.ca)  
[www.mmsa.ca](http://www.mmsa.ca)

**Robert. E Walter Memorial Scholarship  
APPLICATION FORM**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent & Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town/Province/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Post-Secondary Area of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Post-Secondary Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Types of Professional Accreditation Associated with the Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Future Goals and Plans for Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

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Number of years you have resided in the North Peace/Mackenzie Region: \_\_\_\_\_

**Scholarship Agreement:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby agree that following the graduation of my post-secondary education from \_\_\_\_\_, I will live and obtain employment within a member municipality for at least one (1) year, and agree to be situated in the Region within six (6) months following my post-secondary education. If I, \_\_\_\_\_ fail to do so, will return all (\$2000) of the funds granted to me by the R. E. Walter Memorial Scholarship fund, to the Scholarship Fund's Administrator, the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ agree to provide the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency, Administrator for the R. E. Walter Memorial Scholarship for which I have received, with a copy of my certificate/degree as well as a summary of how the funds were utilized on or before December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year I have graduated from my post-secondary education.

If I, \_\_\_\_\_ do not complete my post-secondary education and do not obtain a certificate/degree, I agree to return the funds obtained from the R. E. Walter Memorial Scholarship fund, to the Scholarship Fund's Administrator, the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency, located at Box 450 Berwyn AB T0H 0E0.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Student

Witness Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please ensure the following is included in your application package:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cover Letter & Resume         | <input type="checkbox"/> Letters of support from Teachers/Community Leaders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of transcripts           | <input type="checkbox"/> List of Community involvements                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> List of academic achievements | <input type="checkbox"/> Completed & Signed Application Form                |

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Mail to: Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency BOX 450, Berwyn, AB, T0H0H0 Email to info@mmsa.ca**