

COUNTY OF WELLINGTON

COMMITTEE REPORT

То:	Chair and Members of the Administration, Finance and Human Resources Committee
From:	Nicole Cardow, Deputy Clerk
Date: Subject:	February 21, 2023 Wellington County Scholarship Increase

Background:

The County of Wellington supports a scholarship/bursary Programme in which applications are received based on academic and financial needs respectively. The purpose of the programme is to provide financial assistance for students within our community who are entering first year of an accredited college or university. There is an annual budget of \$5000 which allows for ten awards of \$500 to be distributed among the scholarship and bursary recipients. Along with the scholarships and bursaries, the County of Wellington supports the Grant McLellan Memorial Award, which is awarded annually to a deserving student from Wellington Heights Secondary School. The Grant McLellan Memorial Award is also \$500.

With the cost of tuition, and student housing at an all-time high, we recognize that these funds are no longer going as far as they once did. We recommend that the Wellington County Scholarships and Bursaries including the Grant McLellan Memorial Award increase from the current \$500 per award, to \$1000 per award.

Recommendation:

"That the Wellington County scholarship and bursary awards increase from \$500 per student to \$1000 per student; and

That the Grant McLellan Memorial Award increase from \$500 to \$1000 per student."

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Cardow Deputy Clerk