

HELP OUR STUDENTS (HOST) PROGRAM



October 17, 2012

Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.

William Butler Yeats

A new year is underway!

It's hard to believe that we are starting our third year of the HOST Program. From two schools and three students, we now have six high schools participating and we are providing \$1,000 financial support to nine students.

I am constantly amazed and humbled by the generous spirit of the many donors - individuals and organizations – who keep the Program growing. You will note below the list of organizations that support us. Equally, there are many individuals who donate but choose to remain anonymous. My warmest thanks to all of you for your support and encouragement.

Privacy prevents me from telling you the background story of our recipients; they are all heartbreaking. Yet, despite their difficulties, the students are so positive and cheerful, and they are all working very hard to graduate high school. You can tell by their letters that we are making a real difference in their lives.

There are 50 youth high schools in the City of Ottawa. My long-term goal is to support at least one student in each of these schools. Hopefully, if we continue to grow each year, someone will be inspired to make a major contribution to help us achieve that goal. If you can open doors for me, I will be happy to follow up with letters and presentations.

My next <u>Report to Donors</u> will be near the end of December and will include excerpts from this year's recipients' letters.

As usual, I have attached a financial statement. Please let me know if you have questions or comments.

Best regards,

Richard Lussier President, HOST Program

2012-13 Sponsoring Organizations

Cairine Wilson Parent Council St. Matthew Parent Council Gloucester North Lions Club Knights of Columbus – Council 7873 Lester B. Pearson Parent Council St. Peter Parent Council Navan Lions Club Catholic Women's League (Divine Infant)

Participating High Schools

Cairine Wilson

Gloucester

Lester B. Pearson

Mother Teresa

St. Matthew

St. Peter

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT As at 10 October 2012

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Donations on hand	\$ 3,200.00
Royal Bank Main Account	511.75
Royal Bank Savings Account	6,424.02
TOTAL ASSETS	10,135.77

LIABILITIES

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Donations restricted for administration	89.75
Donations restricted for St. Matthew HS	2,873.86
Donations restricted for Cairine Wilson SS	0.00
Donations restricted for Lester B. Pearson HS	0.00
Donations restricted for Mother Teresa HS	800.00
Donations restricted for St. Peter HS	862.27
Unrestricted Reserve	5,509.89
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$10.135.77

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DONATIONS AND DISBURSEMENTSFor the period 1 Feb 2010 – 10 October 2012

DONATIONS RECEIVED

Restricted for St. Matthew High School	\$	8,974.36
Restricted for St. Peter HS		2,061.77
Restricted for Cairine Wilson Secondary School		1,529.00
Restricted for Gloucester High School		0.00
Restricted for Lester B. Pearson HS		646.51
Restricted for Mother Teresa HS		1,000.00
Restricted for administration		200.00
Unrestricted (including interest earned)		6,284.38
Total donations received	2	20,696.02

DISBURSEMENTS

2010-11 Awards (3 students)	3,000.00
2011-12 Awards (6 students)	6,000.00
2012-13 Awards (9 students) (see note)	1,400.00
2012 Emergency donation	50.00
Bank fees	110.25
Total disbursements	\$10,560.25

Note: to date, seven students have received \$200 (September and October), one student is awaiting a meeting with the bank and one student will receive \$500 in December.