

Desjardins Foundation scholarships awarded to 23 student members of Desjardins Ontario Credit Union

Ontario, Fall 2022 — Desjardins Ontario Credit Union is happy to announce that 23 students have been selected for Desjardins scholarships, totalling \$45,000! This financial boost is our way of helping them in their studies this fall.

Encouraging young people has always been one of Desjardins's priorities. That's why we're committed to supporting them throughout this crucial time in their lives, by addressing their concerns and helping them reach their goals.

Desjardins has several scholarship programs

Every year, we provide financial support to thousands of students, mainly through scholarship programs offered by Desjardins Ontario Credit Union and the Desjardins Foundation. By encouraging youth to pursue their studies, Desjardins helps them achieve their dreams through the [Together For Our Youth](#) program.

"Through education, we can face society's greatest challenges. That's why we care so much about helping young people reach their full potential. We're convinced that by investing in them today, we're equipping them to tackle the issues of tomorrow. The scholarship winners were selected for their outstanding perseverance, their involvement in the community and their dedication to accomplishing their goals. It's an honour to support them, and help them make their dreams come true," said Nancy Lee, Director of the Desjardins Foundation.

"Contributing to our youth's education and development is the best thing we can do to address the labour shortage while also doing our part for the social and economic well-being of our community," added Billy Boucher, General Manager and Chief Operating Officer of Desjardins Ontario Credit Union.

These scholarships represent Desjardins Ontario's involvement in the community and how we're helping to make a difference in the lives of young people. Through these actions, Desjardins is giving young people the tools to make positive and tangible contributions to their community.

The Desjardins Ontario's board of directors, General Manager Billy Boucher, and the entire staff want to congratulate the winners and wish them all the best with their studies.

About Desjardins Ontario Credit Union

Desjardins Ontario Credit Union Inc. serves 132,000 active members, primarily in the personal, commercial, real estate and agricultural sectors, from 48 branches. Its business volume exceeds \$18.92 billion, with assets of more than \$9.86 billion. As a solid, high-performance financial institution with rich and diversified expertise, thanks to its 750 employees, the credit union is a major employer in Ontario. The credit union is overseen by a board of directors made up of 17 elected members and 2 young intern directors. It ranks second among the largest credit unions in Ontario based on assets and business volume.

About the Desjardins Foundation

Founded in 1970, the Desjardins Foundation is a charitable organization that contributes to young people's academic success every year by awarding scholarships to students, grants to schools and organizations, and donations to partner organizations. In 2021, it provided nearly \$4.6 million in program support to 400,000 young people. The Desjardins Foundation is a philanthropic arm of Desjardins Group, Canada's leading cooperative financial group. The Foundation helps enrich the lives of people and communities by promoting education.

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