

History

The James Beams Scholarship was established via the kind bequest of Mr James Beams of Launceston who died in 1994. The scholarship was originally awarded yearly for up to \$5,000 toward study for any young person up to the age of 30. The first recipient was Josie Hodgetts in 1997 who received funds that enabled her to study at Gallaudet University in Washington DC.

Prior to the merger with Vicdeaf the Scholarship program had been placed on hold. With great honour we are happy to announce the establishment once again of the Scholarship. In addition, we would like to expand the number of learning opportunities the funds may be used for.

Goal of the fund

The goal of the James Beams Scholarship is to further the education, learning and leadership opportunities for young deaf Tasmanians.

Eligibility

- The applicant must reside in Tasmania and have a Tasmanian address
- The intended purpose should support the applicant to learn, develop skills and experience an opportunity that will support them to be a leader in the Tasmanian Deaf Community
- Applicants must be 30 or younger at the time of the submission

Funded activities

Funded activities may include assistance in part, full or in-kind to participate in:

- Formal study at TAFE or university
- Professional development pertaining to the young persons' career objectives
- Leadership programs, camps or opportunities
- Attendance at a conference, workshop or seminar; in Australia or abroad
- Additional applications not mentioned here but that are congruent with the goals of the fund and the eligibility criteria will be considered.

How to apply

Complete the attached paperwork:

- James Beams Scholarship Fund **Application Form**
- James Beams Scholarship Fund **Referee Form** (this is to be completed by at least 1 referee)

Please return your completed application forms along with any other documents supporting your application to Expression Australia – infotas@expression.com.au

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