

July 2022

**Soroptimist International of North Shore
in conjunction with
Soroptimist International of San Diego
Educate to Lead Scholarship/Award**

The **Education to Lead Scholarship Award** is a partnership award between these two Clubs. The two Clubs have a formal 'Friendship Link' and we support each other in ways we are able to do, across the distance which separates us, but unites us in being a Global Voice for Women in our local communities.

In its second year, this award will support a woman who is the primary financial carer for their family; and gives some financial support to further their education, skills and employment prospects in the future. The recipient may use the funds provided in any way which directly supports her costs to support her to attain higher education skills or formal qualifications. This may include, but is not restricted to fees, books, transport or tuition, therefore enabling the recipient to focus on her studies rather than the challenge of some of the costs involved.

The Application Period is 1 August - 15 October 2022 Applications available from:

<https://www.sinorthshorenz.com>

Applications should be -emailed to: sinorthshore@siswp.org

Application Check List

Documents Required		Enclosed	Received
A	<p>Fully Completed Application Form</p> <p><i>All sections of the form should be completed.</i></p>	✓	
B	<p>Referees Statements</p> <p><i>Two Referees Statements should be included. Each referee should answer the questions fully which are listed. These may be provided on a separate sheet and on their organisation's letterhead.</i></p>		
C	<p>Enrolment Confirmation</p> <p><i>The applicant must include formal evidence of enrolment in any programme for which the application is made. This may be a provisional enrolment for a programme yet to be commenced at a later date in 2021 or 2022.</i></p>		
D	<p>Proof of Citizenship</p> <p><i>This should be a signed copy and certified by a Justice of the Peace of the following documents.</i></p> <p><i>a. NZ Passport – this should be current</i></p> <p><i>b. If a Permanent Resident – the current passport and the residency visa – both pages.</i></p> <p><i>c. A New Zealand Driver's Licence</i></p>		
E	<p>Evidence of Dependents</p> <p>Where the Applicant has dependents the names and dates-of birth (relationship) of each dependent living with the applicant and some proof of this with documentation is provided.</p> <p><i>Referee to confirm the Dependents</i></p>		

Criteria for Consideration to be awarded this Scholarship

1. The applicant must be over 25 years of age at the time of application.
2. The Applicant must be a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident of this country.
3. The Applicant must be the primary financial carer for the dependent/s family.
4. The Applicant is living within the boundaries of one of the current three parliamentary electorates of either Northcote; North Shore; or Upper Harbour.
5. The Applicant's financial situation is such that this award will allow her to continue the study programme she is currently undertaking, or considering in the immediate future; and which will improve her ability to gain future employment.
6. The Applicant describes how the education to lead award will benefit her in her life and the community.
7. The Applicant has indicated her achievements in recent years.
8. The Applicant is available to personally receive the Award at a SI North Shore Function on Saturday October 29th or Sunday 30th on the North Shore, and her plans fits the Vision/Mission and Values of Soroptimist International.
9. The Applicant is prepared to report to SI North Shore on her progress in her studies at a time agreed to by her and the Club. *[At the end of her first term and future terms and upon completion of her programme.]*

Application Form

- Please complete all sections of this application form. This may be completed electronically or by hand. Each section may be extended if this is desired.
- At the end of this Application Form the ways in which the criteria are weighted for a successful application are detailed.
- Submit the application form to sinorthshore@siswp.com.
- If being handwritten, please ensure that this can be easily read by the adjudicating panel.

Full Name of Applicant	
Date of Birth	
Current Address <i>Please indicate the length of residency and if this is a 'rental' or your own home.</i>	
Contact details Phone [Mobile] & Email	
New Zealand Citizen OR New Zealand Permanent Resident <i>Please include date of gaining Permanent Residency</i>	
Current Course OR Proposed Programme to be undertaken & length of the course to be undertaken.	
Name of Organisation at which the Course of study is being undertaken <i>Please indicate the site address at which the course is delivered.</i>	
Declaration <i>The statements made in this application are a true and accurate description of my situation at the time of writing and have been so for at least three months prior to this application being made. If longer please indicate the timeframe.</i>	
Signature	

<p>Current Household Describe your current household membership for most weeks. This should include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The nature of the residence where you currently live. The number of persons living in the house [adults and children] Gender and ages of children. Pressure points with which the applicant has to manage in any usual week/month, e.g – Health issues 	
<p>Financial Situation</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The nature and level of your current weekly income. The nature and level of additional income contributed by others in any normal week. Current Employment or previous employment and when this ceased. Any family financial support which may be available. 	
<p>Involvement outside the home a. state the nature of any volunteer work carried out in the community.</p>	
<p>Highest qualification achieved to date a. Place of study and date of achievement b. How has this placed you for further study?</p>	
<p>Suitability for this Award</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Detail three good reasons which you believe makes you highly suitable to be selected for this award. 	
<p>How do you plan to use your future qualification to improve yours and your families future. a. include some clear intentions?</p>	
<p>Future Employment Goals</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> If in employment indicate how this programme will improve your employment leadership options. How this will improve the study and employment goals of any of your children or dependents 	
<p>Additional Information</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Include any other relevant information that you believe is important in completing this application. 	

Referees Reports

Applicant should include the detailed reports of two referees.

These should be individuals who know the applicant well and have seen them operate in a variety of situations and have known them for a number of years [At least three years or longer]. This could be someone with whom they have worked in the past; or have been associated with the Applicant in other ways preferably in a Leadership position. Neither of the Referees should be a close family member. Where the applicant has limited choice and one Referee must be a family member; it should be one who is employed in a 'Leadership' position/role and is NOT a member of the Applicant's current household.

All Aspects Listed below MUST be provided by each Referee either by the completion of this section of the Application form or on a separate document [Preferably on the Letterhead of the organisation where the referee is employed].

Referee One

Name of the Referee	
Employment and Position Role	
Employment Address of the Referee	
Contact Details [Phone & Email] a. Referees may be contacted for clarification of their statement. b. Please indicate which option is preferred.	
Personal Strengths of the Applicant This to include: a. Ability to study and persist in her studies b. Ability to overcome challenges c. Ability to seek assistance where this is required d. Personal challenges she has faced and overcome	
Challenges the Applicant still faces This to include: a. Ongoing challenges still to be overcome b. Personal pressure points that operate in her life which may need to be addressed in the near future.	
Other Comment a. Learnings the applicant has achieved in the recent past which you admire b. Support she has given to others in the recent past that you admire c. How this programme will be utilised by her to improve her future outcomes d. The support you know she will access during her participation in this programme. e. The benefits she will gain during this programme and how you believe this will support her future direction.	
Signature and Date of Statement	

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Referee Two

Name of the Referee	
Employment and Position Role	
Employment Address of the Referee	
Contact Details [Phone & Email] <i>a. Referees may be contacted for clarification of their statement.</i> <i>b. Please indicate which option is preferred.</i>	
Personal Strengths of the Applicant <i>This to include:</i> <i>a. Ability to study and persist in her studies</i> <i>b. Ability to overcome challenges</i> <i>c. Ability to seek assistance where this is required</i> <i>d. Personal challenges she has faced and overcome</i>	
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Selection Process

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3. The Applicant must be primary financial carer for the family.
4. The Applicant is living within the boundaries of one of the current three parliamentary electorates of either Northcote; North Shore; or Upper Harbour.
5. The Applicant's financial situation is such that this award will allow her to continue the study programme she is currently undertaking, or considering in the immediate future, and which will improve her ability to gain future employment.
6. The Applicant, as part of her study plans, shows she wishes to give 'leadership' in her family/community in some way in the future.
7. The Applicants has indicated her achievements in recent years.
8. The Applicant is available to personally receive the Award at a SI North Shore Function
9. The Applicant is prepared to report to SI North Shore on her progress in her studies at a time agreed to by her and the Club. *[At the end of her first term and future terms and upon completion of her programme.]*

Criteria	YES	NO	Points
The Applicant must be over 25 years of age at the time of application. a. <i>Birthdate Provided</i> b. <i>Born before 1 June 1997 [For 2022 Applicants]</i>			
The Applicant must be a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident of this country. a. <i>Copy of NZ Passport Provided</i> b. <i>Copy of NZ Driver's Licence Provided</i> c. <i>[Copy of Permanent Residency Visa Provided if applicable.]</i>			
The Applicant must be living in a single parent household. a. <i>Current Household –State of home</i> i. <i>Poor Quality [5 points 1 points] Good Quality</i> b. <i>Persons living in the home</i> i. <i>Adults 1 point per adult</i> ii. <i>Children 2 points per child</i> c. <i>Immediate family - add one point per person</i> d. <i>Add additional points [2 for each preschool child in the household]</i> e. <i>Pressure Points add additional points out of 5 for each of the following</i> i. <i>Health Issues</i> ii. <i>Transportation Issues</i> iii. <i>Isolation Issues</i> iv. <i>Family Violence Issues</i> v. <i>Any other – List for additional points</i>			
The Applicant is living in the greater area of the North Shore of Auckland City <i>Tick one and allocate 3 points</i> a. <i>Lives in the Northcote Electorate</i> b. <i>Lives in the North Shore Electorate</i> c. <i>Lives in the Upper Harbort Electorate</i>			
The Applicant's financial situation is such that this award will allow her to continue the study programme she is currently undertaking, or considering in the immediate future, and which will improve her ability to gain future employment. a. <i>Her net weekly income is very limited</i> <i>Above \$750 [4 points up to 8 points] below \$750</i> b. <i>Additional Income per week</i> <i>Additional income received above \$750 per week [2 points]</i> <i>Up to 8 point for additional income below \$750 per week</i>			

<p>c. <i>Shortfall – Additional 4 points for any shortfall indicated</i></p> <p>d. <i>Current Level of Debt – Add 4 points</i></p>			
<p>The plans of the Applicant to show ‘leadership’ in her family/community in the future.</p> <p>a. <i>Allocate 2 points for each indication of Community Involvement</i></p> <p>b. <i>Add an additional 2 points for each organisation where the commitment has been of three years or more in the past.</i></p> <p>c. <i>Add an additional [up to 5 points] if leadership roles have been undertaken consistently.</i></p> <p>d. <i>Add an additional [up to 5 points] if her future leadership intentions will be met by the programme and are achievable.</i></p>			
<p>Achievements and Suitability</p> <p>a. <i>Award up to 5 points for each of the achievements detailed.</i></p> <p>b. <i>Award up to 3 points for each of the three valid reasons as to her suitability</i></p>			
<p>The Applicant is available to personally receive the Award at a SI North Shore Function on Saturday 29th October or Sunday 30th October 2022 on the North Shore.</p> <p>a. <i>Award up to 5 points for the Applicants comments on her fit with the Vision of Soroptimist international</i></p> <p>b. <i>Award up to 5 points for the Applicants comments on her fit with the Mission of Soroptimist international</i></p> <p>c. <i>Award up to 5 points for the Applicants comments on her fit with the Values of Soroptimist international</i></p>			
<p>The Applicant is prepared to report to SI North Shore on her progress in her studies at a time agreed to by her and the Club. [At the end of her first term and future terms and upon completion of her programme.]</p>			
Total Points Accrued			