**HEADSPACE WARRNAMBOOL SCHOLARSHIP 2020**

**GUIDELINES**

1. **INTRODUCTION:**

Cycle4Life teams from Sydney and Warrnambool dedicated a 1,100 km ride in six days from Sydney to Noosa in September 2015 to raise awareness and funds for headspace centres in their local communities.

The Warrnambool Cycle4Life team dedicated funds raised to be used to provide scholarships for young people who had overcome health barriers to pursue vocational and/or tertiary education.

1. **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:**

The headspace Warrnambool Scholarship Program provides financial support to subsidise course costs, in assisting young people up to the age of 25 years, who:

* have taken action to deal with a health issue; and
* are undertaking a vocational or tertiary course of study.
1. **SCHOLARSHIPS:**

***Applicable to: SW TAFE and / or Deakin University Warrnambool courses (Minimum 2 year course)***

***Number: 3 Scholarships per year***

***Financial Value: Up to $3,000 per scholarship***

There will be 2 options headspace Warrnambool Scholarships can provide funding:

* $1,500 per young person to assist with commencing study; and
* further funding of $1,500 to the young person to assist in completing their final year of study.

Each scholarship granted will be paid in two instalments of $1,500 directly to SW TAFE and/or Deakin University against course fee costs.

**OR**

* $3000 to go towards other initial expenses; text books, stationary, residence expenses, placement expenses, other short courses within your major course that will benefit/assist with employment. (Funding will not be placed towards any technology expenses).
1. **ELIGIBILITY:**

Scholarships will only be granted once per applicant per course.

To be eligible, scholarship applicants must:

* have demonstrated early help-seeking behavior at headspace Warrnambool Centre, including GP services;
* not be recipients of other scholarship programs;
* be residents of Victoria and permanent Australian residents; and
* be enrolled in a course with a minimum of two years duration (mid-course enrollees may be eligible if two years is remaining in the course).
1. **SELECTION CRITERIA:**

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on considerations of:

1. the extent to which the financial support provided by the scholarship will enable the applicant to commence and complete their course of study;
2. the applicant’s experience or advice to others in seeking help from headspace;
3. the applicant’s intentions, career plans or aspirations as a result of their study.
4. **TO APPLY:**

Applicants are required to complete the headspace Warrnambool Scholarship 2019 Application Form, which includes a written response addressing the three selection criteria above (approximately 100 words per criteria).

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE 21ST FEBRUARY 2020.**

Applicants shortlisted will be required to participate in a short interview to finalise the selection process. Completed applications may be submitted in person to Kayla Mugavin, Community Awareness & Engagement Officer, headspace Warrnambool, 210 Timor Street, Warrnambool, VIC 3280 or by email to kmugavin@brophy.org.au.