

2024 Community Bank Warburton & Yarra Junction - Geoff Vickers Youth Scholarship for Tertiary studies

Open for applications from **Wednesday, 29 November 2023** until **Monday, 29 January 2024**

Details of Program

Committed to supporting and investing in our young people, UYCE Ltd first awarded a Youth Scholarship in 2014 and continue to do so through the generous support of Community Banks Warburton and Yarra Junction. We know that recipients will make their community proud, acquire valuable skills and may in time bring these back to our Upper Yarra community.

Geoff Vickers' involvement with Upper Yarra Community Enterprise Ltd and it's Community Bank Warburton and Yarra Junction branches, extends some 20 years from 1998 to 2019. To honour Geoff's contribution, dedication and commitment to UYCE and its branches, the Youth Scholarship was renamed the Geoff Vickers Youth Scholarship commencing 2019.

This Scholarship program continues to support and assist academically motivated students from the Upper Yarra area to pursue and realise their academic dreams.

We invite applications from students who reside in, attend school, or work in the **Upper Yarra as defined by postcodes 3799 and 3797**; who have been offered a place to study at an **Australian University or TAFE (Diploma or Advanced Diploma) for the first time in 2024**; and are experiencing challenging circumstances.

Our Scholarship program can support the following study related expenses – accommodation costs, course costs, study-related materials/equipment, textbooks, tutoring and /or education related travel (within Australia).

Your applicaiton must be submited by 11.59pm on Sunday 28th of January, 2024.

Key general qualification criteria:

- You are an Australian citizen or permanent resident.
- Students must reside in, attend school, or work in the Upper Yarra area as defined by postcodes 3799 and 3797
- You have completed Year 12 in 2023 or 2022 (you took a gap year)
- You will be a first-time tertiary student in 2024
- You have been offered a **full-time place to study** on campus and or off (including online) in an approved Australian course at an Australian university or TAFE Institute.
- You are an academically motivated student who can demonstrate community involvement.
- You can demonstrate **leadership** both within, and outside, your school community.
- You can demonstrate the challenging circumstances (financial and/or social) hindering your ability to undertake further study; and
- Students under the age of 18 years will require parental /guardian consent to accept this scholarship.

The scholarship award value is between **\$1,000 and \$5,000 per year for one year** for each successful recipient, subject to the criteria set out above and satisfactory academic performance.

Scholarships will be awarded on the recommendation of a Selection Committee, with final endorsement from the Board of UYCE Ltd. The decision will be based on how an applicant addresses the qualification criteria and will be binding.

UYCE Ltd reserves the right, at its discretion, not to award this scholarship in any given year.

For further information please contact the UYCE office by email: admin@upperyarra.net.au (about:blank)

For assistance with your application contact CEF by phone: 1300 304 541 (tel:1300%20304%20541).

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