

Tribal Frog Sustainability Scholarship



Guidelines

Introduction:

It is well recognised that many human activities are having an impact on our planet. What is not so well recognised is that a range of solutions exist that will reduce the impact of these activities. It is our younger generations that will be the leaders implementing these solutions and many of them are ready to lead now.

Tribal Frog is committed to supporting school students who are passionate about our planet by providing financial support to two successful applicants, one primary school and one high school. This scholarship endeavours to provide opportunity for the successful applicant to continue their understanding of environmental issues and to be actively part of the solution.

In addition to the two scholarships Tribal Frog is also providing the opportunity for twenty successful applicants to participate in Tribal Frog's sustainability communication and leadership workshop. The workshop is hands-on and participants will develop their communication and leadership skills. As part of the workshop the participants will create their very own sustainability call for action. Scholarship recipients will also participate in this workshop.

Objectives

- To provide financial assistance to one primary school and one high school aged person living within Albury, Alpine, Benalla, Indigo, Mansfield, Moira, Towong, Wangaratta and Wodonga local government areas. Financial assistance is to allow the successful persons to continue their sustainability interests and activities.
- To have twenty applicants participate for free in Tribal Frog's sustainability communication and leadership workshop. Participation in this workshop is to provide the opportunity for participants to improve their sustainability communication and leadership skills.

Eligibility

- Be at primary school or high school.
- Be a permanent resident within the Albury, Alpine, Benalla, Indigo, Mansfield, Moira, Towong, Wangaratta and Wodonga local government areas.
- Be active in an environmental or sustainability activity or issue.
- Can demonstrate through their environmental and sustainability activities that they have the potential to be a sustainability leader.
- Be available to attend Tribal Frog's sustainability communication and leadership workshop.
- Lodge their application before the advertised closing date.

Assessment Criteria

The determination of grants will be assessed by a panel comprising representatives from Tribal Frog, an active community sustainability person and an environmental officer from government.

The following criteria will be taken into consideration:

- The applicant's reasons for being interested and involved in sustainability issues.
- The applicant's past and present involvement in sustainability issues and activities.
- The applicant's future ideas on how they would like to be involved in sustainability.
- The applicant's commitment to maintain or improve their involvement in sustainability issues or activities.
- The applicant is considered to be a good advocate for their school, local community and Tribal Frog.
- Potential for improvement.

Eligible expenditure items

The Tribal Frog Scholarship grant maybe used towards the following costs:

- Travel, registration and accommodation associated with attending event/s that will improve the applicant's sustainability and leadership skills.
- Purchase of books or resources to improve the applicant's sustainability and leadership skills.
- Purchase or hire of equipment to undertake a sustainability activity.
- Other expenses as agreed.

Terms and Conditions:

Scholarship grants are provided on the understanding that the applicant:

- Will continue their sustainability activities for the next 12 months at their current level of participation or higher.
- Agree to spend or use the scholarship grant on legitimate activities.
- Agree to report as required on expenditure of the grant, involvement in sustainability and leadership activities.
- Make every effort to participate and share their sustainability knowledge.
- Agree to be included in media articles including newspaper, radio, website and YouTube.
- Agree to be included in case studies for inclusion through school communication channels including newsletters, website and magazines.
- Will advise the scholarship grant committee of any changes in circumstances, which might affect eligibility for the continuation of the grant.

Sustainability Communication and Leadership workshop

The Sustainability Communication and Leadership workshop will be held in an outdoor setting within North East Victoria. At this stage the workshop is a one day workshop that will be held either on a weekend or during school holidays (date will depend on participant availability). The workshop will cover a range of hands-on activities to assist the participants to understand how to communicate their sustainability message including the opportunity to be filmed as they deliver their sustainability call to action speech. They will also learn what leadership is and how they can be a leader within their school and community. Cost to participate is normally greater than \$100 per person and twenty applications will receive free participation in the workshop. Travel and food not included.

Payment of Grant

Payment of the grant will be in two payments by cheque or EFT each six months for the twelve month period commencing in June.

Closing date

The closing date for applications is 5pm Tuesday 31 May 2011. Applications can be posted to PO Box 524 Beechworth 3747 or emailed to info@tribalfrog.com.

Applicant Success

The successful applicant will be advised by mid June and receive payment shortly after.

Privacy Disclaimer

In accordance with the Provisions of the Privacy Act, the applicant must give consent for their personnel details to be submitted. If successful this information may be forwarded to the media.

Tribal Frog

For more information on how Tribal Frog can support your school to bring sustainability into your classroom and curriculum please visit www.tribalfrog.com/Sustainable-School or call (03) 5728 3024.

