

# BOLT FINANCIAL AWARD

## Application

### ABOUT THE AWARD

The BOLT Financial Award provides financial support of \$3,000 or \$5,000 to youth who aspire to obtain a post-secondary education in a construction-related field and pursue a career in the construction industry.

The award is available to students entering their first or subsequent year of studies at an accredited post-secondary institution in a program related to construction. A list of eligible programs can be found on the BOLT website at [boltonline.org/awards](http://boltonline.org/awards).

Students who meet the eligibility criteria below can apply for an award for every year of their program.

The BOLT Selection Committee determines the successful applicants and the distribution of funds throughout the academic year. Incomplete application packages will not be considered by the Selection Committee.

The completed and signed application form, along with all supporting documents, should be emailed to [bolt@tridel.com](mailto:bolt@tridel.com).

The deadline for applications for the 2024/2025 school year is **9pm on Friday, April 26, 2024**.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- You will be a full-time student at a college/university/training facility for the 2024-2025 study period in one of the [designated programs on BOLT's website](#) or have received prior approval for your program from the BOLT team.
- You can demonstrate financial need.
- You are a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident between the ages of 17-29 living in the Greater Toronto Area.
- You can demonstrate a sincere interest in a career in the construction industry.

### APPLICATION PACKAGE CHECKLIST

- Completed and signed application.
- Resume that includes education, employment, and volunteer experience to date.
- Transcripts (official or unofficial).
- Confirmed acceptance or enrollment letter for post-secondary program/training.
- OSAP Funding Summary (screenshot of grants and loans from OSAP website).
- ONE** of the following:
  - 2023 T4 slip
  - Letter from your employer confirming wages
  - Copy of cheque stub or social assistance stub
  - Most recent CRA Notice of Assessment
- TWO** letters of reference regarding your academic, work, or community/volunteer achievements.

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### APPLICANT INFORMATION

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_ SIN #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Canadian Citizen or a Permanent Resident of Canada?  Yes  No

What is your preferred pronoun?  He/him  She/her  They/them  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Do you self-identify as a member of any of the equity-deserving groups below? (select all that apply)

Black  Indigenous (First Nations/Métis/Inuit)  LGBTQ2S+  Member of a visible minority

Person with disabilities  None of the listed

Are you a [Toronto Community Housing \(TCH\)](#) resident?  Yes  No

Are you a [Co-operative Housing Federation](#) resident?  Yes  No

Do you have any dependents? This can include a spouse, common-law partner, a parent, or child(ren).

I am single, no dependents  I am single, with dependents

I am married/common law, no dependents  I am married/common law, with dependents

Have you participated in any of the following? (select all that apply)

BOLT Speak Out  BOLT Day of Discovery  BOLT Job Shadowing Program

Completed a high school program related to construction/trades (provide name): \_\_\_\_\_

Worked in the construction industry for a minimum of three months

Another activity that demonstrates interest in construction (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the BOLT Financial Award?

School  Online  Friend  Family Member  Agency (provide name): \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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### SCHOOL AND PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR THE 2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Upon completion, you will graduate with a:

Diploma  Certificate  Bachelor's Degree  Master's Degree  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Total length of program, from start to graduation?  1 Year  2 Years  3 Years  4 Years  5 Years

Which year will you be starting in 2024?  1<sup>st</sup> Year  2<sup>nd</sup> Year  3<sup>rd</sup> Year  4<sup>th</sup> Year  5<sup>th</sup> Year

Does your program have a co-op term?  Yes  No

Does your 2024-2025 study period start in **September 2024 and end in April 2025**?  Yes  No

If you answered 'no' above, please indicate your start and end dates?

Start date (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_ End (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_

### HOUSING

What best describes your living situation during the **2024-2025 study period indicated above**?

Living with parents/family and not contributing to rent/bills

Living with parents/family and contributing to bills/rent \$ \_\_\_\_\_ / month

Living in school residence and paying rent \$ \_\_\_\_\_ / month

Living with roommates and paying rent \$ \_\_\_\_\_ / month

Living on my own and paying rent \$ \_\_\_\_\_ / month

Living in a shelter or transitional housing

### TRANSPORTATION

I will be driving my own vehicle to classes  I will be driving a family vehicle to classes

I will be taking public transit to classes  I will be walking/cycling to classes  I will be attending virtually

### SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

I have secured a summer job for May-August 2024:  Yes  No

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Enter your gross income **from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023** as indicated on Line 150 of your 2023 Canadian Income Tax return. If you have not filed a 2023 Canadian income tax return, provide the amount you expect to report. \$\_\_\_\_\_

### 2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR BUDGET

Complete the table below with your estimated income and expenses for the **2024-2025 study period only** as indicated on the previous page. **If you have questions on how to complete this section, please email us at [bolt@tridel.com](mailto:bolt@tridel.com).** If you do not have your OSAP assessment for the 2024-2025 study period, please include the amount for the year before. If you did not qualify for OSAP, please provide an explanation below.

An example of how to calculate the amounts for each category: *If your rent is \$500 a month and includes utilities (hydro, water, etc.) and you'll be paying rent every month while in school from beginning of September to end of April, you would put \$4,000 in the box below (\$500 multiplied by 8 months). If you will not be paying rent, you would put down \$0.*

Estimated 2024/2025 School Year Income		Estimated 2024/2025 School Year Expenses	
Employment Income	\$	School tuition and fees	\$
Bank Loan/Line of Credit	\$	Textbooks + other course materials	\$
OSAP/loan <i>(screenshot required of latest assessment)</i>	\$	Program-related equipment (e.g. safety glasses, boots, tools)	\$
OSAP/grants <i>(screenshot required of latest assessment)</i>	\$	Laptop + other tech devices	\$
Savings <i>(only amount you plan to use)</i>	\$	Rent + utilities	\$
Family contribution <i>(amount expected during the school year)</i>	\$	Phone & Internet bills	\$
Government assistance <i>(specify below if EI, Ontario Works, ODSP, etc.)</i>	\$	Food (e.g. groceries, take out)	\$
	\$	Transportation costs (e.g. public transit, car payment, gas, maintenance)	\$
Other Scholarships/Awards	\$	Personal Expenses (e.g. clothing, personal care, laundry)	\$
Other <i>(specify below)</i>	\$	Childcare (if applicable)	\$
		Other <i>(specify)</i>	\$
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$</b>

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### WRITTEN RESPONSES

**Please answer all three questions below in complete sentences. This section is an opportunity for you to tell the Selection Committee why you should be chosen for the award.**

1. Tell us more about yourself and how this award would benefit you. Describe the personal, family, educational, work, or other life experiences that have influenced your development as a person and brought you to this point in your life.

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2. How have you given back to your community or contributed to community building? Describe the volunteer and/or leadership roles you have been a part of.

3. Why do you want to pursue a career in the construction industry?

Please note that privacy, consent & certification statements will be sent to all applicants before the final review of applications