



Now over a quarter of a century old, the Terry Fox Humanitarian Award Program continues to attract Canada's best and brightest.

The Terry Fox Humanitarian Award Program was established in 1982 through a grant by the Government of Canada to commemorate Terry's courage and tenacity in his effort to find a cure for cancer. The Terry Fox Humanitarian Award recognizes the benevolence of young Canadians and encourages them to continue in their humanitarian work while attending college or university in Canada. In the spring of 2006, the Department of Canadian Heritage provided the program with a \$10 000 000 endowment aimed to increase the number of awards granted each year.

Since its inception, over 650 Terry Fox Scholars from across the country and all walks of life have selflessly dedicated themselves to helping those less fortunate, at home, at school and in the community. Each year we receive hundreds of applications and typically recognize 20 new recipients from across the country. The alumni of our program count among some of Canada's finest, including over 60 medical doctors, 50 teachers, 60 graduate students, as well as hundreds of others who have entered into professions aimed at helping others. Seven program graduates have even gone on to win the prestigious Rhodes Scholarship.

As the name implies, the Terry Fox Humanitarian Award recognizes humanitarian volunteer work. There is no set discipline students must study in order to receive the award, but they must continuously demonstrate a strong performance in academics, athletics and volunteerism.

The inscription on the award reads: "In recognition of having demonstrated the highest ideals and qualities of citizenship and humanitarian service while in pursuit of excellence in academics, amateur sport, fitness, health and voluntary community service. In so doing has reflected those ideals of courage, humanitarianism, service and compassion, which Terry Fox embodied."

As an administrator for an educational institution, you and members of your staff are in the unique position to help identify outstanding students who you feel embody the qualities of a Terry Fox scholar. If you know of such a student, please encourage him or her to apply for this prestigious award. With help from students such as these, we will certainly achieve Terry Fox's noble goal of bettering our world. I'm enclosing several cards that might be of assistance in making your staff or prospective applicants aware of our website where the application form can be downloaded. I would appreciate it if you would distribute these to the appropriate people.

The application deadline is February 1st of each year. The program is open to graduating secondary school students and those currently studying towards their first university degree or diploma. **For more information about the program, or to download an application form, please visit the program's website at**

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With warmest regards,

W. Lorne Davies O.B.C.
Executive Director