



# HOST PROGRAM (Help Our Students)

December 15, 2010

Dear Donors and Friends:

I am pleased to report to you that your donation has made a meaningful impact on the lives of the three high school students that the HOST Program is supporting this year. I have included below an edited extract from the letters that I received from them. Their words are far more eloquent than mine to describe the impact of your generosity.

I wish to report some significant donations in recent months: \$1,000 from the Gloucester North Lions Club and \$500 from the Knights of Columbus Council 7873 (the membership will be asked to approve a further \$500 donation in the new year). A current financial statement is included.

I am also delighted to announce that Lester B. Pearson High School has agreed to become a participating school in the HOST Program. As a minimum, I hope that we can support at least one Lester B. student next academic year.

Information about the HOST Program is now available on both the St. Matthew web site ([www.ottawacatholicschools.ca/mth/](http://www.ottawacatholicschools.ca/mth/)) and the Cairine Wilson web site ([cairinewilsonss.ocdsb.ca/index.htm](http://cairinewilsonss.ocdsb.ca/index.htm)). There is now a Facebook page, "HOST Program", where I will publish news between Reports. I would also like to express my appreciation to Leanne Bergeron from St. Matts and Joanne Muir from Cairine Wilson for their help and devotion to this program.

My wife and I extend warmest wishes to you and your family for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2011.

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2010-11 Sponsors – Business and Organizations

Cairine Wilson Parent Council	St. Matthew Parent Council
Convent Glen Dental Centre	Myers Orleans
Greek Plus	Royal Bank of Canada
Knights of Columbus – Council 7873	North Gloucester Lions Club



Cairine Wilson  
Secondary School



St. Matthew  
High School



Lester B. Pearson  
High School

"This award has helped out very much. With the \$100 I have been receiving from this program, I have been able to use it to buy groceries for my family when we needed them. This money will be really beneficial for my Christmas shopping; it has already given me a gift for my mother and I plan to get a lot of gifts for the family. Seeing as I could use this money without restrictions, I have bought things for myself like treating myself to lunch every once in a while. My thanks go out to every person and every company who donated to this great cause. People have no idea how much of a difference \$100 a month can make when you don't have much. I will cherish this act of kindness throughout the rest of my life."

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"I would like to say that I am extremely grateful to be a part of the HOST program. It has certainly helped me keep my head above water so to speak. Having the extra money for meals and/or groceries, school supplies and otherwise has made things a lot easier on not only myself but my family as well."

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"This year has been stressful, with the pressure of grade twelve and the expense of preparing for university. I also have other expenses such as rent that take up much of my resources and have made me mature much faster than I would have liked.

I just applied to universities this month and I was able to use my award to pay the 160-dollar application fee. If I am short on money or need something for school, I feel relieved because I know that I have the funds to support myself.

Perhaps the greatest benefit of the Host Program is that I now have a savings fund and account where I can deposit some of my own money for university.

The relief and financial stability the Host Program has provided me with has been insurmountable. I appreciate everyone who has contributed to my success. I hope that people will continue to support the future of students and provide them with financial opportunity.

With all my love, blessings and gratitude.

Sincerely, a very thankful student."



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### FINANCIAL STATEMENT As at 15 December 2010

#### ASSETS

Royal Bank Account	\$ 1,846.25
Royal Bank ESavings Account	1,500.07
Donations on hand	<u>50.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	3,396.32

#### LIABILITIES

2010 Award - Cairine Wilson SS (6 months remaining)	600.00
2010 Awards - St. Matthew HS (6 months remaining)	1,200.00
Restricted for administration	31.25
Reserve Restricted for Cairine Wilson students	0.00
Reserve Restricted for Lester B. Pearson students	0.00
Reserve Restricted for St. Matthew students	550.00
Unrestricted Reserve	<u>1,015.07</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 3,396.32</u>

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#### DONATIONS AND INTEREST RECEIVED

Donations restricted for St. Matthew High School	\$ 2,050.00
Donations restricted for Cairine Wilson Secondary School	400.00
Donation restricted for administration	50.00
Unrestricted donations	2,115.00
Interest received on ESavings Account	<u>0.07</u>
Total donations received	4,615.07

#### DISBURSEMENTS

2010-11 Awards – Sept-Dec payments	1,200.00
Bank fees	<u>18.75</u>
Total disbursements	1,218.75

**Donations not disbursed are set up as liabilities** \$ 3,396.32