



# REPORT

To: Health Care Scholarship Committee

Report Number: FN-HCSC-001

From: Teri Vetter, Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 22, 2020

**Subject: Subscription Statistics Report – PRRD Health Care Scholarship Program****RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Health Care Scholarship Committee receive the report “Subscription Statistics Report - PRRD Health Care Scholarship Program”, dated May 22, 2020, for information.

**BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:**

At its meeting held on September 17, 2019, the Committee requested that each year in January, prior to budget considerations, a report be brought forward that summarizes the number of recipients and the amount of funds issued from each of the Health Care Scholarships. This information is being presented to the Committee for its July 2, 2020 meeting as no meeting was held in January.

The PRRD Health Care Scholarship program consists of six (6) scholarships developed in collaboration with Northern Health Authority (NHA) to promote the recruitment and retention of health care professionals. The scholarships are designed to provide financial assistance to fill positions that have proven to be difficult to attract and/or retain in the Peace Region.

Currently, only three (3) of the scholarships are active, while three (3) others are finalized and will be launched pending the approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with NHA. These include the Technical Career Professional Development Scholarship, the Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Scholarship, and the RN/RPN Profession Development Scholarship. The table below summarizes the year to date subscriptions and funds paid out since 2017 for the active scholarships.

Scholarship	2017	2018	2019	2020	Year to Date
<b>Health Care High School Non Degree</b> \$15,000 - 10 Awards of \$1,500	N/A – Not Active	Total Awards - 4	Total Awards - 4	Total Awards - 6	<b>Total Awards YTD - 14</b>
		1 - South Peace	1 - Chetwynd	3 - South Peace	
		3 - North Peace	3 - South Peace	3 - North Peace	
		Total funds paid out - \$6,000	Total funds paid out - \$3,000 <i>*two have not claimed their award</i>	No funding has been paid out to date.	<b>Total funds paid out - \$9,000</b>
<b>School District #59</b>					
Chetwynd 1					
South Peace 3					
Tumbler Ridge 1					
<b>School District #60</b>					
Hudson's Hope 1					
North Peace 3					
Prespatou 1					

Scholarship	2017	2018	2019	2020	Year to Date
<b>Health Care Assistant</b> \$20,000 - 20 Awards of \$1,000	Total Awards - 16  Total funds paid out - \$16,000	Total Awards -12  Total funds paid out - \$12,000	Total Awards - 5  Total funds paid out - \$5,000	Total Awards - 8  Total funds paid out - \$8,000	<b>Total Awards YTD - 37</b>  <b>Total funds paid out - \$41,000</b>
Scholarship	2017	2018	2019	2020	Year to Date
<b>RN/RPN Return of Service</b> \$30,000 - 6 Awards of \$5,000 each awarded in two parts  Part 1 – 4 <sup>th</sup> Year of Degree Program \$15,000 – 6 Awards of \$2,500  Part 2 – Return of Service (ROS) \$15,000 – 6 Awards of \$2,500	Total Awards - 13  7 Full Scholarships  1 Part 1 only  5 Part 2 only  Total funds paid out - \$57,000	Total Awards - 11  3 Full Scholarships  8 Part 1 only  Total funds paid out - \$35,000	Total Awards - 6  6 Part 1 only  Total funds paid out - \$15,000 <i>* NHA has not invoiced PRRD for any ROS Awards (Part 2 ) to date</i>	N/A – Deadline to apply is June 30 <sup>th</sup> .	<b>Total Awards YTD - 30</b>  <b>10 Full Scholarships</b>  <b>15 Part 1 only</b>  <b>5 Part 2 only</b>  <b>Total funds paid out \$107,000</b>

In order to support NHA's efforts to recruit new graduates, an annual budget commitment of \$5,000 was approved to assist with expenses incurred by NHA to host recruitment events. In 2017, a total of \$95.12 was paid out, and in 2018, a total of \$128.53 was paid out. No funding was paid out in 2019 and no event was held.

#### ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

1. That the Health Care Scholarship Committee provide further direction.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:

☒ Not Applicable to Strategic Plan.

#### FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

In 2020, a budget commitment of \$125,000 was approved for the PRRD Health Care Scholarship program, with \$35,611 budgeted in Function 110 Legislative Regional, and \$89,389 budgeted in Function 275 Grants to Community Organizations.

Budget commitments in Function 110 Legislative Regional will be depleted first, and all scholarship funding will transition to Function 275 Grants to Community Organizations.

#### COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):

None at this time.

**OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):**

None.