



Balonne Shire Emerging Leaders Bursary

*2020
Guidelines and application form*

Background

Balonne Shire Council recognises the positive contribution that young people as emerging and current leaders make to our community. The Balonne Emerging Leaders Bursary has been established to recognise the importance of developing leadership skills to achieve goals and build successful relationships. It is intended to support development opportunities that teach essential leadership skills such as effective communication, interpersonal skills and contextual leadership. Fundamental to this is the growth of 'self' and the ability to reflect on one's own belief systems and behaviours. Professional development teaching self-appraisal, self-acceptance, and the acceptance of others, can inspire application of creative thinking to problems. This Bursary is designed to help young people in Balonne contemplating career choices and education options, recognise their unique potential, thus helping them to take their place in society as truly empowered, resilient and confident individuals.

The objectives of the program are to:

1. Support the development of leadership and life skills of youth in the Balonne region to achieve goals and build successful relationships.
2. Develop a sense of pride for the region
3. Build self-confidence by recognising potential
4. Provide role models and mentors for our youth by highlighting their achievements and the pursuit of excellence

Awards and Awards Categories

Awards Category	Award
Junior (15 to 17 years)	
Male	\$ 1,000
Female	\$ 1,000
Senior (18 to 30 years)	
Male	\$ 4,000
Female	\$ 4,000

Guidelines for Eligibility

- Nominees must be permanent residents of Balonne Shire or residents of the Shire for a period of twelve (12) months prior to nomination.
- Junior awards nominees must be persons 15 years or older but not exceeding 17 years of age as at 31 December of the year of nomination. That is nominee must still be **under 18 on 31 December 2019**.
- Senior awards nominees must be persons aged 18 years or older but not exceeding 30 years of age as at 31 December of the year of nomination. That is the nominee must still be **under 31 on 31 December 2019**
- Self-nominations and nominations by others with permission of the nominee will be accepted.
- Nominees that have previously been awarded this bursary will not be eligible to be nominated in the same category for the next two (2) sequential years.
- Awards will not be granted posthumously
- Unsuccessful nominees may be re-nominated in subsequent years
- The nominated person must have an identified potential personal or professional development opportunity which they would participate in using the bursary.

Submit your nomination to:

Email: council@balonne.qld.gov.au

In person: Balonne Shire Council Administration Office
118 Victoria St
St George Qld 4487

Post: PO Box 201
St George Qld 4487

Key Dates

- Nominations Open 4 November 2019
- Nominations Close 4 January 2020
- Nominees may be interviewed to discuss the nominee's current and future leadership aspirations and intentions for the bursary.
- All applicants will be advised of the selection panel's decision after 20 January 2020. Please note that no correspondence will be entered into for feedback to unsuccessful applicants.
- The Presentation of the bursaries is in St George on 26 January 2020 (Australia Day 2020). We welcome the attendance of the successful recipient of each bursary to this function, where there will be the opportunity to accept the bursary during the formal ceremony.

Assessment Process:

Balonne Emerging Leaders Bursary nominations will be assessed by a panel of five (5) Council representatives; Three (3) Council Officers and two (2) Councillors.

Nominations will be assessed on the following:

CRITERIA QUESTIONS	Weighting %
1. Nominee's connection to the Balonne Shire and the reason for your nomination?	10
2. Areas of the community the nominee is / or would like to be involved with in the future?	10
3. Nominee's demonstrated commitment to leadership in their local community	40
4. Details of how the bursary will be utilised to assist in achieving leadership skills – specific course/training/development programs	40
Total %	100

Condition of the Bursary

- Bursary funds are to be expended on personal and/or professional development through a course, training or development program which is deemed appropriate by the assessment panel of the *Balonne Emerging Leaders Bursary*.
- Upon evidence of registration to chosen course/training/development the program, Council will pay bursary funds directly to the institution on behalf of the recipient.
- The successful applicants are asked to give a summary of his/her achievements in their chosen personal and/or professional development opportunity and their aims and goals to Council within twelve (12) months after receiving bursary.

Further Information

- Nomination forms and guidelines are available through the Balonne Shire Council's website under the "community" tab. www.balonne.qld.gov.au
- For further enquires please contact Mareea Lochel, Community and Libraries Coordinator on Mareea.lochel@balonne.qld.gov.au or (07) 4620 8888

Nomination close at 4pm 4 January 2020

BALONNE EMERGING LEADERS BURSARY NOMINATION FORM

WE PREFER YOU TO TYPE YOUR APPLICATION. IF THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE, PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY IN BLACK PEN. ILLEGIBLE APPLICATIONS MAY BE DISREGARDED

Please read this nomination form in conjunction with the *Balonne Emerging Leaders Bursary Guidelines*.

Privacy Notice: Balonne Shire Council is collecting the personal information you supply on this form for the purpose of receiving and considering your nomination for the *Balonne Emerging Leaders Bursary*. Personal details will not be disclosed to any other person or agency external to Council without individual consent, unless required or authorised by law. Program funding details will be published by Council in Council's annual report.

REQUIRED CONTACT DETAILS OF PERSON BEING NOMINATED (NOMINEE)

Surname:	First Name:
Contact Phone Number:	Age:
Email Address:	
Postal Address:	
Residential Address:	
Is the nominee a resident of Balonne Shire? (please tick)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Has the nominee consented to being nominated for the bursary? (please tick)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is the nominee aware that a Council Officer may contact them to better understand their current and future leadership, personal and professional aspiration and intentions for the bursary? (please tick)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

REASONS FOR NOMINATION:

Please provide a summary of the reasons why you have nominated the person above e.g. how the nominee has displayed leadership in the community, leadership qualities, barriers or difficulties the nominee has overcome, how the community has benefited from the leadership of the nominee. If necessary, additional information may be attached to support you nomination.

This section forms a critical part of the application. All criteria must be addressed. If additional space is required please insert an extra page.

1. Could you please tell us about the connection of the nominee to the Balonne Shire and the reason for your nomination?

2. What areas of your community, is the nominee interested in being involved with in the future?

3. Outline the nominee's commitment to leadership in your local community

4. If the nominee was a successful recipient of the bursary please provides us with details of they would utilise the bursary to assist in achieving you're their leadership skills – specific course/training/development program.



OTHER PERSONS WHO MAY BE CONTACTED FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE PERSON BEING NOMINATED (OPTIONAL)

Name:	Name:
Position:	Position:
Email address:	Email address:
Telephone:	Telephone:

TO BE COMPLETED BY PERSON SUBMITTING NOMINATION

Please leave blank if self-nominating

Name:	
Organisation represented (if any):	
Postal Address:	
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Post Code:	
Email address:	
Phone (Private):	Phone (Business):

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