

# Strive Scholarships

## Guide to Completing the Tertiary Round Application Form

This guide is designed to help you complete the Strive Scholarships Tertiary Round application form.

If you have any questions about the application form, please contact the Strive Scholarships team on [strive.scholarships@sgch.com.au](mailto:strive.scholarships@sgch.com.au) or 9585 1499.

### Application questions

#### Name of head tenant

Please give the name of the head tenant of your property.

#### Is the head tenant Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?

Please indicate whether the **head tenant** is Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. You can choose not to give us this information. We give preference to students from Aboriginal households to help address the disadvantage that Aboriginal people face in education.

#### Email address

You must include a working email address that you check regularly, as this is how we'll let you know that we've got your application and whether you've been awarded a Strive Scholarship.

If you need help setting up an email address, please ask a member of SGCH staff.

#### Where is the student studying in 2021?

Please tell us whether you are in tertiary education or in Kindergarten to year 12. This is to ensure you are applying in the correct Scholarship round. Students must be enrolled in a Certificate III level course or above to be eligible (Certificates I and II are not eligible).

If you will be in Kindergarten to Year 12 in 2022, you will need to apply for our K to 12 Strive Scholarships round, which will open on 1 October 2021. You can sign up for an email reminder at [www.sgch.com.au/strive](http://www.sgch.com.au/strive).

#### Student name, address, date of birth and phone number

Please tell us your name, address, date of birth and phone number.

**Please note:** the Strive Scholarships program is only open to SGCH tenants and household members.

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### **Is the student Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?**

Please indicate whether you are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. You can choose not to give us this information. We give preference to Aboriginal people to help address the disadvantage that Aboriginal people face in education.

### **Does the student have a disability?**

Please indicate whether you have a disability. You can choose not to give us this information, but we give preference to people with disability to help address the disadvantage that people with disability face in education.

### **Is the student a carer of someone with disability?**

Please indicate whether you are the official carer of someone with disability. You can choose not to give us this information, but we give preference to people whose responsibilities caring for others may disadvantage their studies.

### **Is the student a sole parent or carer of dependents?**

Please indicate whether you are the only carer of children or other dependents. You can choose not to give us this information, but we give preference to people whose responsibilities caring for others may disadvantage their studies.

### **What is the name of your local newspaper?**

This question is optional. SGCH often contacts local newspapers with news about the Strive Scholarships. If you know the name of your local paper, that will help us get in touch with them. If you're not sure, just leave this question blank.

### **If you are successful, would you like to be profiled in our communications representing the scholarship program?**

Your answer to this question will not affect the outcome of your application.

By applying for the Strive Scholarship you give permission for SGCH to use parts of your application for marketing, with your details removed. If you answer YES to this question we may contact you for an interview.

### **Would you be interested in joining a Strive Students Network, to connect with other students and to attend events and access resources to aid your studies and career?**

Your answer to this question will not affect the outcome of your application.

We are exploring interest in a network for Strive applicants to regularly meet with other students and participate in activities. The network could be supported to host events and presentations that provide opportunities for you to gain experience and professional development.

If you answer yes we may contact you for feedback and with opportunities to participate in future. There is no obligation and you can opt-out at any time.

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## Family and household education support

### What is the highest level of education achieved by other people in your household?

This question won't affect the outcome of your application, and is just to help us understand the ways that the educational experiences of family members can affect applicants.

### ID number

Please provide an ID number so that we can find you quickly and easily on our systems.

You can use your:

- [SGCH Bank Agent Number](#)
- [Centrelink Reference Number](#), or
- [SGCH Debtor Accounts Number](#).

### How did you first hear about Strive Scholarships?

We use this information to work out how to promote the Strive Scholarships program in the future.

### How do you intend to spend the money?

Please tick all options that apply. We use this information to see where our funding is likely to go. There is no wrong answer!

### Name and website of TAFE/College/University?

Please provide the name and website of the place you are studying. Our selection criteria for Strive require that you be enrolled in an accredited tertiary institution.

### Full name of course?

Please provide the name of the course you are studying, including the level of study, e.g. *Bachelor of Arts*, or *Certificate IV in Business Management*

The Strive Scholarships Tertiary round is only available to students enrolled in a course that is Certificate III or higher. If you would like support in studying a Certificate I or II, please contact our Employment Opportunities Manager Carrie Levine to discuss training options, or our Housing Plus team to discuss a No Interest Loan that can go towards course registration.

### Would you like support looking for training or employment, during or after your studies?

Please let us know if you would like support from our Employment Opportunities Manager in finding work or training.

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## Do you have an interest in joining the building industry?

Some of the funding for the Strive Scholarship program comes from multi-trade contractors who like to know how many applicants are interested in their industry. This question is to give them an overall number for information only.

## Proof of Enrolment

Because Tertiary study is optional, we require proof that you are enrolled to study in 2019. Proof needs to be a document from your place of study, but does not have to be an original copy. You can upload a scan, screen shot or photo of the document in the form.

## Why do you need the Strive Scholarship?

**Please note:** The Judging Panel makes their decisions based on the information you provide for this question, so you should include **as much information as possible**. Where possible, give details about:

- Your current financial situation
- Any circumstances that make it harder for you to pursue your education (be specific, provide examples)
- How the Strive Scholarship may help your education, future goals, health or wellbeing (be as specific as possible about your aspirations and goals)
- Any other information that you think is relevant to your application

Here is a sample answer that was successful last year:

*Being a full time University student with a casual fast food job and parents who depend on their pension, every part of my life is under a tight budget. University is expensive, I need new textbooks for each course every semester, public transport each day, and as my course heavily relies on technology, I am unable to catch up in class as the devices I use are of an old model that cannot handle design applications. The Strive Scholarship would mean I could buy a better laptop and buy my textbooks so I have them when I need to, instead of waiting until library copies are returned. I like to challenge myself, I am very determined and disciplined, and I am studying this course because it will allow me to pursue a career I love.*

## How will the Strive Scholarship help you reach your training and employment goals?

**Please note:** The Judging Panel makes their decisions based on the information you provide for this question, so you should include **as much information as possible**. Where possible, give details about:

- How you will spend the Strive Scholarship money (be specific)
- Your training and employment goals (be specific, provide examples)
- Any other information that you think is relevant to your application

Here is a sample answer that was successful last year:

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*I have been working as a cleaner/gardener for over 2 years but want to improve my income by upskilling and learning a trade. I have been attending part time evening courses for over a year, and my low income means I need to work extra weekend hours just to make ends meet. With the Strive Scholarship I could finish my apprenticeship and get my trade license, and I would be able to reduce my weekend hours and focus on finishing my course.*

### **Account information**

Please provide your bank account details.

Please note: we can only accept bank account details for the head tenant or the student. We cannot make payment to another family or household member.

### **Confirmation**

Please click the 'Submit' button to submit your application. You will receive a confirmation email to the email address that you gave earlier in the application.

Please note: The confirmation email may go to your email inbox or your Junk Mail, so make sure you check both.