



## **YELLOW RIBBON FUND STAR BURSARY APPLICATION PACKAGE**

### **About the Bursary**

The YRF STAR (Skills Training Assistance to Restart) Bursary was conceptualised in 2010 to provide financial assistance to low-income ex-offenders who wish to pursue tertiary education after their release.

YRF aims to support ex-offenders to build viable futures for themselves and their families through upgrading, which will enhance employability and encourage self-sufficiency. The beneficiaries of the YRF STAR Bursary may also serve as role models for other ex-offenders and inspire them to rebuild their lives through education.

### **Bursary Details**

- The bursary is available for local institutions and selected private institutions approved by YRF for the following courses:
  - a. ITE
  - b. Diploma
  - c. Degree
- The bursary is open for application to inmates who are due for release soon and who wish to pursue training after release.
- The bursary is also open to ex-offenders who have been released. Applications are to be made within two years of release. Applicants who are between 2 to 5 years of release will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.
- The bursary funds up to 100% of course fees.
- Applicants may have to undergo career coaching and profiling as part of the assessment process.
- The YRF STAR Bursary Selection Panel reserves the right to revoke any bursary awarded if the progress, performance and behaviour of the student are deemed to be unsatisfactory.
- Students are to engage in one case session per month with the assigned YRF case manager.
- Students are to attend all Get Together sessions (quarterly) and help out in all Yellow Ribbon related events as a volunteer as and when required.

## **Eligibility Criteria**

Applicants must fulfil the following eligibility criteria and conditions:

- must be a Singaporean or Permanent Resident;
- have per capita income not exceeding \$1,500;
- must not have been released from prisons for more than two years. Applicants who are between 2 to 5 years of release will be assessed on a case by case basis.

## **Instructions for Submission of Application**

1. Complete all sections of the application form.
2. Attach the certified true copies of all relevant supporting documents listed on Page 6 of the application form.
3. All applications are subject to the evaluation and approval of the YRF STAR Bursary Selection panel and applicants will be required to undergo an interview meant to assess their eligibility.
4. Incomplete applications and/or cases where there is a lack of documentary proof will not be accepted.
5. YRF will not enter into correspondence with applicants who have not been shortlisted or accepted into the programme.
6. All applicants should email the completed application form together with the necessary supporting documents to the Yellow Ribbon Fund Secretariat at [Angela\\_SWEE@yellowribbon.gov.sg](mailto:Angela_SWEE@yellowribbon.gov.sg).

For more information on the YRF STAR Bursary, please contact e-mail Ms Angela Swee at [Angela\\_SWEE@yellowribbon.gov.sg](mailto:Angela_SWEE@yellowribbon.gov.sg).

## YELLOW RIBBON FUND STAR BURSARY APPLICATION FORM

Attached  
Latest  
Photo

APPLICANT PARTICULARS			
Name (as in NRIC)			
NRIC (*Singaporean / PR)		Date of Birth	/ /
Gender	*M / F	Marital Status	* Single / Married / Separated / Divorced
Address			
Contact Number	(H)	(H/P)	
Email			
Housing Type	HDB _____ Room (*Rental / Purchased) Others:		
Highest Educational Level			
Occupation		Take-Home Salary	\$
Name of Organisation			

COURSE DETAILS	
Course Type	ITE / Diploma / Degree
Name of Institution/School	
Course Name	
Course Duration	_____ Months / Years (*Part-time / Full-time)
Full Course Fee	\$ _____
Cost of books and school materials	\$ _____ Other miscellaneous fees \$ _____
Course Commencement	

PRISON DETAILS	
Inmate Number	
Institution	
Offence	
Length of Sentence	
Date of Admission & Release	
No. of incarcerations	
Name of Officer (i.e. Reintegration Officer (RO) and/or Correctional Rehabilitation Officer (CRS))	

\* Please delete where applicable

QUALIFICATIONS ATTAINED		
Name of Institution	Qualification	Year Obtained

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY (starting from the most recent)		
Position Held	Name of Employer / Organization	Period of Involvement

PARTICULARS OF FAMILY MEMBERS LIVING WITH YOU						
Name	NRIC	Age	Relationship	Educational Level	Occupation	Take-Home Salary

Are there any family members who are disabled or chronically sick? \*Yes / No

If yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Please delete where applicable

MONTHLY FAMILY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE			
INCOME	AMOUNT (\$)	EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT (\$)
<b>Total household income</b> (Take-home salary)		<b>Housing Rent / Installment</b> (Cash only)	
<b>Other sources of income</b> (E.g.: assistance from welfare organizations, contributions from relatives, rental income)		<b>Service &amp; Conservancy Charges (SCC)</b>	
		<b>Utilities</b> (PUB & Water)	
		<b>Phone</b> (Home, Mobile phone, Internet)	
		<b>Food and Sundry</b>	
<b>Savings</b>  Cash  Bank  Savings from earnings in Institution		<b>Educational Expenses</b> (Pocket money, transportation, tuition)	
<b>Others</b> (Please specify:)		<b>Working Expenses</b> (Food, transport)	
		<b>Arrears</b> (If any )	
		<b>Medical expenses</b> (If any)	
		<b>Others</b> (Please specify:)	
<b>TOTAL</b>			

**NOTE: Please enclose photocopies of the following supporting documents. Otherwise, your application will be disqualified.**

1. Photocopy of NRIC
2. Educational certificates/result slips of highest qualification obtained to date
3. Prison release slip
4. Letters of financial awards, scholarships and/or loans held previously or currently holding
5. Latest CPF statements of applicant and family members (working and living together)
6. Salary slips of applicant and family members (working and living together)
7. Career Report provided by career coach (after YRF Career Assessment, if applicable)
8. Any other documents required by YRF / Selection Panel

#### **DECLARATION**

1. I shall accept any decision made by the YRF STAR Bursary Selection Panel with regards to my application.
2. I declare that the information provided in this application and the attachments are true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I have not wilfully suppressed or falsified any information.
3. I consent to Yellow Ribbon Fund collecting the personal data in this STAR Bursary Application Form and in the documents attached to it and
  - ☐ If I am still incarcerated, disclosing it to Singapore Prison Service ('SPS') for SPS to make a recommendation about my application and
  - ☐ Yellow Ribbon Fund using it for the purpose of deciding whether or not to award the STAR Bursary to me and, if awarded, to pay the award to the relevant educational institution.

**Signature of Applicant**

**Date**

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