

Education Fund – Criteria & Conditions

AIM

To afford Quadriplegics & Paraplegics, who are members of QASA, opportunity to access funding for education and / or skills training both secondary and tertiary, at recognized and Accredited Institutions in order to become employable or self-employed.

To empower Quadriplegics & Paraplegics with knowledge and skills to enable them to secure employment or sustainable in self-employment

OBJECTIVE

Through fundraising, a budget is determined by Exco/Manco each financial year to achieve the following objectives:

1. To provide scholarships to Quadriplegics & Paraplegics who are members of QASA to afford them the opportunity to study and / or get skills training.
2. To empower Quadriplegics & Paraplegics to become employable and / or self employable.
3. To encourage and assist Quadriplegics & Paraplegics to participate within the structures of the Association.
4. To allow Quadriplegics & Paraplegics to study and/or get skills training at accessible Institutions.

QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

1. An active Quadriplegic & Paraplegic member of QASA.
2. There is no other financial assistance available and other bursary opportunities have been exhausted.
3. The member has the potential to complete and pass the indicated course.
4. The member has ambitions of employment or self employment and shows evidence as such.
5. The Regional Association must motivate and support the application and forward the application for consideration by Exco.
6. In the case of the member not residing in a province with the Regional Association, the application must go directly to QASA.
7. A letter of acceptance of the candidate from the accredited Institution to provide training.
8. Proof that the Institution is Accredited.

CONDITIONS & PROCEDURE

1. A detailed motivation must be submitted through the Regional Association stating:
 - Purpose of taking this particular course.
 - Type of financial support requested
 - Previous qualifications or skills.
 - Course to be studied.
 - Duration of course.
 - Cost of course including a quotation from the Institution.
 - Details of the Institution, facilitating the course.
 - The expected outcome of successfully completing the course.
 - A letter from the Regional Association office, motivating the submission.
2. Should any funds not be used from the allocation, these are to be returned to QASA.
3. Failure to complete or pass the agreed upon course in the prescribed time will render scholarship repayable at an agreed repayment period and rate.
4. Results of the course taken must be submitted to QASA within 3 months of the completion of the course.
5. Should the applicant be successful in obtaining a QASA scholarship, an original photograph of the applicant and copy of ID document, must be sent to the QASA office.
6. The applicant will be advised as to QASA's decision in writing.
7. A Tax Invoice from the Institution must be presented on successful application to the Fund and the Institution will be paid directly from QASA.
8. The QASA CEO will verify the application and the QASA EXCO will decide on the distribution of Funds.
9. The course or training may be funded fully or part thereof.
10. The candidate will be requested to make a contribution to the costs of their studies.
11. A contract with QASA must be signed by the successful candidate.

12. The decision of QASA EXCO is final.