



## **The Missing Wingman Trust Glendinning Scholarship for Tertiary Study**

The Missing Wingman Trust (RNZAF) is a registered New Zealand charity with two broad aims:

- To remember those we've lost, and
- To support Air Force families where a family member is Killed, Injured, Wounded or Ill (KIWI families).

The Missing Wingman Trust received a sizeable bequest from the estate of the late SQNLDR (Rtd) Scotty Glendinning. With the family's approval, this bequest will form the foundation of an educational scholarship in his name.

### **1. Purpose of the Scholarship**

The scholarship is targeted toward students from Air Force families which have suffered due to illness, injury or death in the family. The aim of the scholarship is to support students pursuing tertiary education or equivalent trade training courses who demonstrate strong potential, commitment to their field of study, and alignment with the values of the trust. It is intended to reduce financial barriers and enable recipients to focus on academic success and personal development. Priority will be given to education in support of future employment.

### **2. Eligibility Criteria**

#### **2.1 Applicant Requirements**

Applicants must:

- Be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident
- Be an immediate member of a recognised Air Force family that has received, or may have been eligible to receive, support from the Missing Wingman Trust, regardless of whether or not any family member is still in the RNZAF
- Be enrolling full-time in an approved NZQA-recognised tertiary programme (Level 4–10)
- Have completed secondary school or equivalent prior to commencement of study

#### **2.2 Academic Criteria**

Applicants must demonstrate:

- Evidence of academic or trade potential through school reports, references, or prior education and training results
- A commitment to complete the course of training for which the scholarship grant is made

### **2.3 Financial Need**

While financial hardship is not a requirement, it may be considered. Preference may be given to applicants who provide evidence of financial hardship

### **2.4 Field of Study**

The scholarship grant can be provided in support of any field of study, however preference may be given to students studying:

- STEM fields
- Aviation
- Health sciences
- Education
- Trades

## **3. Selection Criteria**

Applicants will be assessed on:

- Academic achievement and potential
- NZQA level of study
- Financial need (if applicable)
- Commitment to their chosen field
- Community involvement, leadership, or service
- Personal character, as demonstrated through references or a personal statement
- Alignment with the purpose and values of the scholarship

## **4. Application Requirements**

Applications must normally be received no later than 30 September of the year preceding the proposed study year. For shorter courses, applications must be received no later than three months before the start of the course. Applications or enquiries should be sent to: [missingwingmantrust@gmail.com](mailto:missingwingmantrust@gmail.com).

Applicants must submit:

- A completed application form
- A personal statement (e.g., 500–800 words) addressing:
  - Their background
  - Career goals
  - Motivation for study
  - How the scholarship will support them

- Evidence of financial need (if required)
- Proof of enrolment or conditional acceptance into a tertiary programme
- Evidence of course and course-related costs

## **5. Scholarship Value & Tenure**

- The scholarship provides up to **\$10,000** per year
- In any year this may be granted as a single scholarship grant, or divided into smaller grants
- The grant of a scholarship in any one year does not guarantee that a subsequent grant will be provided, although applications for grant renewal will be considered
- Scholarship funds may be used for:
  - Tuition fees
  - Course-related costs
  - Living expenses
  - Accommodation in halls of residence

## **6. Conditions of Tenure**

Recipients must:

- Maintain satisfactory academic progress
- Submit a report of academic achievement at the completion of the period for which the grant was made
- Notify the fund of any changes in enrolment, programme, or personal circumstances
- Seek approval before deferring study
- Repay funds if they withdraw from study without valid reason

## **7. Selection & Administration**

- Selection will be made by a panel selected by the trustees, which may or may not include some or all trustees and other individuals by invitation
- The panel's decisions are final
- The fund reserves the right not to award the scholarship if no suitable applicants are identified

## **8. Renewal (If Applicable)**

There is no guarantee of a successful candidate receiving further support in subsequent years of study or training. To renew the scholarship, recipients must:

- Reapply annually
- Demonstrate continued academic progress
- Provide updated references or reports
- Show ongoing alignment with the scholarship's purpose

## **9. Promotion & Publicity**

- Recipients may be asked to participate in promotional activities, including social media and other communications updates in order to promote the charitable work for the trust and to encourage others to apply for the scholarship in future years
- Names and photos may be published with consent