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## Thanks to Ministry of Education, Sri Lanka

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We thank Hon. Bandula Gunawardhana (M.P), the Minister of Education, Sri Lanka, and Mr. W. K. N. Wijetunga, Director of Education (School Affairs & Private Schools Branch), Ministry of Education, Sri Lanka, for helping us raise awareness to school principals in Sri Lanka on SLCSF scholarships.

On the direction of the Honorable Minister, Mr. Wijetunga had informed school principals in Sri Lanka about SLCSF scholarships. He had also requested the school principals to inform eligible school children to apply for SLCSF scholarships by providing them with application forms and directions to complete them.

We expect similar support from Ministry of Education in 2014 as well.

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## A Big “Thank You” to Our Sponsors!

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We have awarded 180 new scholarships this year. This is the highest ever, since the inception of SLCSF in 1998!

We thank all our sponsors for making this happen! So far, we have awarded a total of more than 1350 scholarships.

## Do you know...

We have increased the monthly scholarship stipend to students from Rs: 1200 to Rs: 1500 this year, without increasing your monthly donation amount.

This was possible because of the savings we had from the favorable currency exchange rate.

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## Memorial Scholarship Awards

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Sponsoring a Memorial scholarship is an excellent way to ensure that the name of a deceased family member or anyone close to your heart continues to live on, while paving the path for an academically gifted student to become successful in life!

The sponsorship commitment and the selection criteria for these scholarships are the same as our regular scholarships.

This year we have awarded 34 memorial scholarships. The scholarships and their sponsors are:

**Mr. & Mrs. J. E. Abayasekera Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded by:  
Mrs. Lalantha Hippola, Ottawa, ON, in loving memory of her parents.

**Mr. & Mrs. D. D Abeyagoonewardena Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded by:  
Mrs. Kamala Ranasinghe, Gampola, Sri Lanka, in loving memory of her parents.

**Mr. Edward and Mrs. Banduwathie Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded by:  
Dr. Ranil, Mrs. Nilukshi, Miss. Thumri and Miss. Thunuvi Waliwitiya, Surrey, BC

**Mr. Piyasena Dematagolla Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded by:  
Ms. Ruvini Dematagolla, Vancouver, BC, in loving memory of her father.

**Mrs. Padmini Imbulgoda Memorial Scholarships (2)**

Awarded by:  
Mr. Nalin and Dr. Mrs. Warunika Imbulgoda, Nepean, ON, in loving memory of Nalin's mother.

**Mrs. Ajantha Kamani Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded by:  
Dr. Ranil, Mrs. Nilukshi, Miss. Thumri and Miss. Thunuvi Waliwitiya, Surrey, BC

**Mrs. B. M. Kulasekera Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded by:  
Mr. K. B. Hippola, Ottawa, ON, in loving memory of his mother.

**Mrs. Kusuma Goonetilleke Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded by:  
Mrs. Manel Perera, Calgary, BC, in loving memory of her mother.

**Mr. Senarath Sirimanne Jayampathy Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded by:  
Miss. Minurika Perusinghe and Master Harin Perusinghe, Surrey, BC, in loving memory of their grand father.

**Mr. Henry Arthur and Mrs. Soma Perusinghe Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded by:  
Miss. Minurika Perusinghe and Master Harin Perusinghe, Surrey, BC, in loving memory of their grand parents.

**Mr. Francis and Mrs. Mallika Samarasekera Memorial Scholarships (2)**

Awarded by:  
Dr. Lal Samarasekera, Saskatoon, SK, in loving memory of his parents.

**Mr. Wijenayake Tennakoon Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded by:  
Mr. Beumal & Mrs. Eresha Fernando, Edmonton, AB, in loving memory of late Mr. Wijenayake Tennakoon.

**Mr. & Mrs. T. B. Weerasekera Memorial Scholarships (3)**

Awarded by:  
Mr. Rohana Weerasekera, Whitehorse, YT, in loving memory of his parents.

**Master Nuwan Wijayasinghe Memorial Scholarships (6)**

Awarded by:  
Dr. Mahendra and Mrs. Chandrani Wijayasinghe, Edmonton, AB, in loving memory of their son.

**Mr. Albert Kathriarachchi Memorial Scholarships (5)**

Awarded by:  
Mr. Gayan Abeyundara, Coquitlam, BC, in loving memory of his grand father.

**Mrs. N. W. Gunasekera Abeyundara Memorial Scholarships (3)**

Awarded by:  
Dr. Bandula Abeyundara, Coquitlam, BC, in loving memory of his mother.

**Mr. S. W. Abeyundara Memorial Scholarships (3)**

Awarded by:  
Dr. Bandula Abeyundara, Coquitlam, BC, in loving memory of his father.

*Note: The recipients of these scholarships are included in the list of "New Grade 12 Scholarship Awards for 2013".*

We thank all our memorial scholarship sponsors for their donations. Your act of generosity will keep the names of your beloved relatives and friends alive for ever in the minds of the children benefited by these scholarships.

**Correction with Apologies:**

*In 2012, Ms. Janaki Samarasekera & Mr. Shantha Athukorala of Surrey, BC, had made a donation to SLCSF to award a Memorial Scholarship in loving memory of Janaki's beloved sister, Mrs. S. Samarasekera.*

*By mistake, we have awarded it as a regular scholarship. We sincerely apologize to Janaki and Shantha for our mistake!*

We must be the change that we wish to see in the world.

- Mahatma Gandhi

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## Scholarship Sponsors for the Years 2013/14 and 2012/13

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We are grateful to all our sponsors for their kindness and generosity! Without your donations, we will not be able to continue this scholarship program and help these children.

We would especially like to acknowledge the following donations in 2013:

- ❖ 10 scholarships sponsored by Mr. Asoke & Dr. Mrs. Nandanie Weerasinghe, Edmonton, AB
- ❖ 10 scholarships sponsored by Ms. Joanie Anderson, Vancouver, BC

- ❖ 10 scholarships sponsored by Mr. Chalaka Liyanage, Edmonton, AB
- ❖ 9 scholarships sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Dilan Modder, Burnaby, BC
- ❖ 8 scholarships sponsored by Dr. Nimal and Dr. Mrs. Dhaneshwarie Rajapaksha, Vancouver, BC
- ❖ 6 scholarships sponsored by Dr. Mahendra and Mrs. Chandrani Wijayasinghe, Edmonton, AB
- ❖ 6 scholarships sponsored by an Anonymous Donor, AB
- ❖ 5 scholarships sponsored by Dr. Chandana Weerasinghe, Vancouver, BC

With the pool of money we had from one-time donations and savings we had from favorable currency exchange rates, SLCSF has sponsored 23 additional scholarships this year.

The following is the list of our sponsors (including memorial scholarship sponsors) during the years 2012/13 and 2011/12. We sincerely apologize if we have missed any names or for any incorrect spelling.

*Notes:*

*When more than one scholarship is sponsored, the number is indicated after the sponsor name. Two numbers indicate the number of new scholarships sponsored in 2013 and 2012, respectively.*

*The list is sorted in the following alphabetical order: Province (or, Country), City and Last Name.*

Mr. Dan Peiris, Banff, AB  
Mr. Sarath Adikary, Calgary, AB (1+1)  
Anonymous, Calgary, AB (6)  
Mrs. Manel (Mano) Perera, Calgary, AB (1+1)  
Mr. Nihal Perera, Calgary, AB  
Mr. Sanj Perera, Calgary, AB  
Mr. Siri & Mrs. Indrani Perera, Calgary, AB  
Dr. Thilinie Rajapakse, Calgary, AB  
Dr. Chan Wirasinghe, Calgary, AB

Mrs. Inoka Witharana, Calgary, AB  
 Sri Lanka – Canada Friendship Association,  
 Edmonton, AB (10)  
 Miss. Heshani and Mr. Gihan Abeysundara,  
 Edmonton, AB  
 Mr. Rohan & Mrs. Sama Abeysundara,  
 Edmonton, AB  
 Mr. Anil & Mrs. Sriyanthi Fernando, Edmonton,  
 AB  
 Mr. Angelo Fernando, Edmonton, AB  
 Mr. Beumal & Mrs. Eresha Fernando, Edmonton,  
 AB  
 Ms. Rushika Fernando, Edmonton, AB  
 Mr. Demuni Jayasinghe, Edmonton, AB  
 Miss. Lukshani Jayasinghe, Edmonton, AB  
 Mrs. Shamani Jayasinghe, Edmonton, AB  
 Mr. Chalaka Liyanage, Surrey, BC (10+3)  
 Dr. Nimal & Mrs. Chitra Rajapakse, Edmonton,  
 AB (4)  
 Dr. Sunil & Mrs. Nelum Ranasinghe, Edmonton,  
 AB (1+1)  
 Mr. Kumudu Samarasinghe & Ms. Himani  
 Ferdinandis, Edmonton, AB  
 Mr. Lakshaman & Mrs. Chandra Samarasinghe,  
 Edmonton, AB (2+1)  
 Mr. Asoke & Dr. Mrs. Nandanie Weerasinghe,  
 Edmonton, AB (10+15)  
 Dr. Mahendra & Mrs. Chandrani Wijayasinghe,  
 Edmonton, AB (6+6)  
 Mr. Mahinda & Mrs. Nayanthara Witharana,  
 Edmonton, AB (1+1)  
 Dr. Upali and Mrs. Chulani Hippola, St. Albert, AB  
 Mr. Kumar and Mrs. Muditha Basnayake,  
 Burnaby, BC (1+1)  
 Ms. Charitha Dharmaratne and Mr. Upali  
 Sirikumara, Burnaby, BC (1+1)  
 Mr. Dylan Modder, Burnaby, BC (9)  
 Mr. Sumith & Mrs. Chandu Peiris, Burnaby, BC  
 Ms. Lisa Brown, Chilliwack, BC (4)  
 Dr. Bandula Abeysundara, Coquitlam, BC (6+3)  
 Mr. Gayan Abeysundara, Coquitlam, BC (5+3)  
 Miss. Namal Abeysundara, Coquitlam, BC (2)  
 Mr. Navin Abeysundara, Coquitlam, BC  
 Dr. Nihal & Mrs. Tamara Ariyawardena,  
 Coquitlam, BC (2)  
 Mr. R. D. Dias, Coquitlam, BC  
 Dr. Mrs. Mala Fernando, Coquitlam, BC  
 Mr. Andy Wickey, Coquitlam, BC  
 Mrs. Chandra Stokes, Mission, BC (2+2)  
 Mr. Ryan Stokes, Mission, BC  
 Ms. Dhananthi Batcha, New Westminster, BC  
 (1+1)  
 Mr. Dhananjaya Gamalath, New Westminster, BC  
 (1+1)  
 Ms. Dona Patikirarachchi, New Westminster, BC  
 (1+1)  
 Mr. Gavesh Bandara, Port Coquitlam, BC  
 Mrs. Shiranie and Mr. Kamalasiri Hewabedage,  
 Port Coquitlam, BC  
 Mr. Channa and Mrs. Gayani Lokugamage, Port  
 Coquitlam, BC (2)  
 Mr. Gihan Madawala, Port Coquitlam, BC  
 Mr. Nimal & Mrs. Chitra Fernando, Richmond, BC  
 (2+2)

Mr. U. D. Niroshan and Ms. Ruwanie Perera,  
 Richmond, BC  
 Anonymous, Surrey, BC  
 Mr. Chandradasa Gamachchige, Surrey, BC (2)  
 Dr. A. Gunadasa, Surrey, BC  
 Miss. Gayani Hewa Bandula, Surrey, BC (2+1)  
 Mr. Sisira and Mrs. Indira Hewa Bandula, Surrey,  
 BC (2)  
 Ms. Ruwani Hewa Bandula, Surrey, BC  
 Mr. Viraj Opananda, Surrey, BC  
 Mr. Chandima & Mrs. Sumudu Panditha, Surrey,  
 BC  
 Mr. Mervyn & Mrs. Chitramalie Perera, Surrey,  
 BC  
 Mr. Palitha & Mrs. Sadhana Perera, Surrey, BC  
 Mr. Pradeep & Mrs. Naz Perera, Surrey, BC (2)  
 Mr. Samira Perera, Surrey, BC  
 Miss. Minurika Perusinghe & Master Harin  
 Perusinghe, Surrey, BC (2)  
 Mr. Sena Ranasinghe, Surrey, BC  
 Mr. Ranjan & Mrs. Manel Ranasuriya, Surrey, BC  
 Miss. Sajini P. Rangana, Surrey, BC  
 Miss. Thanuji D. Rangana, Surrey, BC  
 Mr. Hemal & Mrs. Hemi Ratnakara, Surrey, BC  
 Mr. Kavi Ratnaweera, Surrey, BC  
 Ms. Janaki Samarasekera & Mr. Shantha  
 Athukorala, Surrey, BC  
 Mr. Kirithi Senaratne, Surrey, BC  
 Mr. Upul Seneviratne, Surrey, BC (3)  
 Mrs. Kanchana & Mr. Hasantha Sirisena, Surrey,  
 BC (2)  
 Mr. Sudu & Mrs. Stella Vatagodakumbura,  
 Surrey, BC (1+1)  
 Dr. Ranil, Mrs. Nilukshi, Miss. Thumri and Miss.  
 Thunuvi Waliwitiya, Surrey, BC (2)  
 Mr. Gamini and Mrs. Sumana Wijeratne, Surrey,  
 BC (5+5)  
 Mrs. Joanie Anderson, Vancouver, BC (10)  
 Dr. Upul & Mrs. Deepthi Atukorala, Vancouver,  
 BC (2)  
 Mr. Sanka Dassanayake, Vancouver, BC  
 Mr. Mahesh Joseph, Cosmos Auto Care,  
 Vancouver, BC (2)  
 Mr. Arjuna Perera, Vancouver, BC  
 Dr. Nimal & Dr. Mrs. Daneshwarie Rajapaksa,  
 Vancouver, BC (10)  
 Dr. Aruna Somasiri, Vancouver, BC (2)  
 Mr. Achala Soysa, Vancouver, BC  
 Dr. Chandana Weerasinghe, Vancouver, BC  
 (5+5)  
 Dr. Udaya Annakkage, Winnipeg, MB (2)  
 Mrs. Sasanda Nilmalgoda, Winnipeg, MB (2)  
 Dr. Gamini and Mrs. Devika Senarath, Nepean,  
 ON  
 Mr. Nimal & Mrs. Rupa Dissanayake, Hamilton,  
 ON  
 Mr. K. J. Fernando, Oakville, ON  
 Mr. K. B. Hippola, Ottawa, ON  
 Mrs. Lalantha Hippola, Ottawa, ON  
 Mr. Amaranantha Weerakkody, Scarborough, ON  
 Miss. Isuri Weerakkody, Scarborough, ON  
 Mr. Nalin & Dr. Mrs. Warunika Imbulgoda,  
 Nepean, ON (2)

Mr. Bandu & Dr. Mrs. Manel Imbulgoda,  
Waterdown, ON (2+2)  
Anonymous, Windsor, ON (2)  
Dr. Lal Samarasekera, Saskatoon, SK (2+1)  
Mrs. Kamala Ranasinghe, Gampola, Sri Lanka  
Dr. Damith Senaratne, San Diego, USA (2+2)  
Ms. Ruvini Dematagolla, Pittsburg, USA (1+1)  
Dr. Eranda Harinath, Pittsburg, USA (1+1)  
Mr. Rohana Weerasekera, Whitehorse, YT (3+2)  
Sri Lanka – Canada Scholarship Foundation  
(SLCSF), Canada (23+4)

We thank all the sponsors for their generosity and hope that they will continue to provide financial support in the future years.

What is the use of living if it be not  
to strive for noble causes and to  
make this muddled world a better  
place for those who will live in it  
after we are gone?

- Winston Churchill

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## Scholarship Awards - 2013

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This year we have selected 180 scholarship recipients, based on their G.C.E. O/L results, income per family member and considering other special circumstances (such as deceased parents).

We congratulate the scholarship recipients for their academic achievements and wish them all the success in their future studies!

Miss. D. M. D. Divanjali Dissanayake, Madampe  
Miss. H. G. Sudeshika Lakshani, Middeniya  
Miss. W. A. D. Pathumi Ishara, Batapola  
Miss. H. A. Udeshika de Silva, Galle  
Miss. M. G. Maduka Muthukumari, Unawatuna  
Miss. A. M. Jeewani Mekala, Bulathsinhala  
Miss. P. Namali Wickremaratne, Akuressa  
Miss. H. M. Shalani Hiranthika, Lunugala  
Mr. J. Jeyaraj Logu, Mannar  
Miss. A. Srimala Ranepura, Galle  
Miss. H. Purnima Sandamali, Beliatta  
Miss. N. G. M. C. Udeshika de Silva, Dewalegama  
Miss. P. M. Amali Jayaratne, Dehipe  
Mr. S. S. Chamara Jayasinghe, Badalgama

Miss. R. P. D. K. Jayawardena, Mawanella  
Miss. M. K. Madurangi Chathurika, Matara  
Miss. S. J. M. D. Samarakoon, Mahiyanganaya  
Miss. O. Chandula Warnapura, Gampola  
Mr. W. Pasindu Lakshan, Pitabaddera  
Miss. A. Shanika Kumanayake, Kakanadura  
Mr. G. A. Wasanth Kumara, Warakapola  
Miss. J. A. D. Madubhashini, Suriya Wewa  
Miss. W. K. Kasuni Sewwandhi, Biyagama  
Mr. S. A. Dhanushka Suranimala, Kurunegala  
Miss. N. Kinogiya, Kurukkalmadam  
Mr. H. M. M. Chamal Lankathilake, Narammala  
Mr. K. B. N. Maduranka Jayatilake, Mahiyangana  
Miss. M. M. Fathima Nafreen, Akkaraipattu 01  
Miss. M. G. Thushari Buddhini, Thalangalla  
Miss. A. D. Geetha Pubudini, Thelijjawila  
Mr. M. W. Ransaka Ravihara, Meetiyagoda  
Miss. L. Imalsha Madushani, Ranne  
Miss. M. Ishara Madurangi, Boossa  
Miss. P. A. D. M. Dharmatileke, Walasmulla  
Miss. W. M. Nadishani Wijayapala, Malsiripura  
Mr. W. G. Kalpa Manupriya, Kananke  
Miss. A. G. Malsha Madushani, Angulugaha  
Miss. W. W. Supuni Thilaka, Kariyamadiththa  
Miss. B. S. Charuni Ariyaratne, Ellawala  
Miss. H. P. C. Nimesha Abeyaratne, Hindagolla  
Miss. R. R. A. Sathsarani, Hungama  
Miss. W. A. M. Neranjala Kumari, Udugoda  
Miss. K. S. Sammani, Matara  
Mr. S. L. I. Madhava Kumarasiri, Walasmulla  
Mr. H. T. Darshana Nuwan Kumara, Boossa  
Miss. M. I. Asanthika Wijesena, Opanayake  
Miss. N. A. T. Sathsarani Ariyasena, Kelaniya  
Miss. M. R. Risna Vannimundhal, Kalpitiya  
Miss. H. G. K. Anupama Prabhashini, Wallawaya  
Miss. H. K. A. Tharika Sewwandi, Ratnapura  
Miss. W. I. Anjali Gayashani, Majuwana  
Miss. R. M. Sarangika Hemamali, Boralanda  
Miss. M. W. H. Lakmali Wijesinghe, Balangoda  
Mr. D. L. R. Heshan Denipitiya, Parakaduwa  
Miss. T. K. C. S. Chandrasena, Imaduwa  
Miss. D. A. G. I. S. P. Madegama, Bibila  
Mr. S. D. D. Buddhi Priyadarshana, Panliyadda  
Mr. W. D. Yasas Kantha, Matugama  
Miss. K. R. Priyadarshini, Eheliyagoda  
Miss. E. Riyansiya, Vauniya  
Miss. G. V. Wasana Lasanthika, Kiriella  
Miss. H. G. Vimukthika Rosauru, Kiriella  
Miss. W. D. Deshini Kulathilake, Pallegama  
Miss. N.Y. Madushani Navagaguwa, Dehiowita  
Miss. M. G. N. Prabashi Kulatunge, Dolapihilla  
Miss. K. D. S. Kishani Umayangana, Padukka  
Miss. L. Kalpana Madushani, Nittambuwa  
Mr. T. Gimhana Malshan, Kosgama  
Miss. M. M. Iresha Kumari, Kosgama  
Miss. K. D. Sanduni Kaushalya, Walgammulla  
Miss. H. N. Sansala Hidelarachchi, Ellawala  
Miss. H. B. K. Nimesha Madhushani, Uyangoda  
Miss. W. K. Chalani Harshika, Akuressa  
Miss. W. M. Deepika Senaratne, Galigamuwa  
Miss. R. K. Nirosha Prabodhini, Galle  
Miss. S. C. Nilmini Samarasinghe, Galigamuwa  
Miss. D. M. Jayamini Kumari, Hingurana  
Mr. D. L. S. Dananjaya Liyanage, Bamunakotuwa

Miss. M. P. Ishani Ratnayake, Awulegama  
Miss. K. M. Nadisha Mihirani, Bibila  
Miss. M. D. A. Darshani Jayasinghe, Ratnapura  
Miss. I. M. S. S. Tilakaratne, Dehiaththakandiya  
Miss. A. Chamika Madushani, Nakiyadeniya  
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Mr. D. P. M. S. Muthumal Jayasinghe, Radawana  
Miss. D. M. I. Madushika Gunasekera, Bibila  
Miss. P. K. Thrimani Lanka, Agalawaththa  
Miss. K. Sanduni Tharaka, Kadawatha  
Mr. K. Isuru Thilanka, Kolonna  
Miss. J. I. S. Wimalaweera, Kanathwewa  
Mr. W. M. Ravindra Fernando, Serankada  
Miss. L. Pubudhini Thushara, Aralaganwila  
Miss. K. P. Sahara Sathyangi, Kamburugamuwa  
Miss. S. Udara Prasadhini, Batapola  
Miss. K. K. V. C. N. Keerthiratne, Kirindiwela  
Miss. W. Anushka Nethmini, Tangalle  
Mr. M. A. Rashmika Thamala, Mahara  
Miss. S. A. C. J. Samaratunga, Avissawella  
Miss. H. M. D. Umesha Sewwandhi, Welipenna  
Mr. D. M. Sudesh Niranjana, Ratnapura  
Miss. T. Dulakshi Hettiarachchi, Ratnapura  
Mr. S. P. C. Indrajith Premalal, Nagollagoda  
Miss. R. M. S. Ratnayake Manike, Konwewa  
Mr. G. N. Chanaka Garusinghe, Batutota  
Miss. M. A. G. Chathuni Sulochana, Gurulubedda  
Miss. W. K. K. G. Wicramaratna, Ratnapura  
Miss. R. V. Shanika Ranasinghe, Eheliyagoda  
Miss. D. Yasodha Jayamali, Kaduwela  
Miss. A. A. Malika Janani, Monaragala  
Mr. G. M. P. Sasanka Dulsan, Passara  
Miss. M. M. Tharuka Dinushini, Horagoda  
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Miss. M. K. Wasana Dilrukshi, Moragollagama  
Mr. R. M. D. Sulakshana Prematilake, Badulla  
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Miss. K. A. Kalpana, Bandaragama  
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Kamburugamuwa  
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Miss. G. Lakmini Rashadari, Ratnapura  
Miss. K. G. A. Punyanjali Jayatissa, Manikhenna  
Mr. R. A. A. D. Ranasinghe, Eheliyagoda  
Mr. B. G. T. R. Prabath Ratnasena, Deraniyagala  
Mr. W. G. I. Budhdhika Kularatna, Deniyaya  
Miss. P. K. Hasani Promoda, Kolonna  
Miss. J. G. N. Sathsarani Ovita, Suriyawewa  
Mr. K. T. V. Tharanga Lakmal, Weligama  
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Miss. V. H. A. Dulmi Dilshara, Uva-Paranagama  
Miss. D. M. A. I. Dassanayake, Anuradhapura  
Miss. S. M. Thanuja Dulanjali, Uva-Paranagama  
Miss. H. Imesha Dilshani, Ambalantota  
Mr. O. D. I. Pradeep Dissanayaka, Kegalle  
Miss. S. M. Sithara Sewwandhi, Padaviya  
Miss. A. G. N. M. Kumarathunga, Hingula

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Akuramboda  
Mr. M. A. Idusal Kumarage, Helamada  
Mr. K. P. Lakshitha Sumathipala, Bibile  
Miss. R. G. A. Harshanai Rajapakse, Avissawella  
Miss. A. Dinusha Apsarani Silva, Watinapaha  
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Avissawella  
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Miss. P. L. Shamilka Imanthi, Galle  
Miss. P. U. S. Dilanga Devapriya, Batapola  
Mr. I. H. M. G. Prabudhika Herath, Matale  
Miss. R. M. Umangi Oshadhi, Haliela  
Mr. W. G. Troshan Mihindu, Kananke  
Miss. W. A. S. C. Fernando, Wennappuwa  
Mr. V. K. L. S. D. Kumarasinghe, Parakaduwa  
Miss. M. G. Dulangani De Silva, Beruwala  
Mr. S. Sanjula Paranamana, Ambalantota  
Miss. P. H. U. Sankalpani De Silva, Galewala  
Miss. A. B. Nissansala Sewwandi, Akuressa  
Mr. A. W. G. R. Prabath Abeyaratne, Dutuwewa  
Miss. T. K. Thakshila Madhuwanthi, Trincomalee  
Miss. U. G. N. M. Saman Kumari, Kanthale  
Mr. M. A. R. Prabath Madushanitha, Monaragala  
Mr. H. G. Viraj Piyumal, Kananke  
Mr. A. M. A. Prasadh Abeyanayake, Kobeygane  
Miss. A. G. N. Madushani Kumarathunga, Hingula  
Miss. L. H. Anuththara Madushani, Maththaka  
Mr. A. L. Ishan Kavinda, Trincomalee  
Miss. N. A. Thilini Dilrukshi, Thunkama  
Miss. W. Oshani Hashipraba, Kadawatha

Education is not the learning of  
facts, but the training of the mind to  
think.

- Albert Einstein

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## A Success Story....

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We have received the following article from a past SLCSF scholarship recipient. She is telling us her success story, from being a sad student who lost her father at a young age, up to becoming a qualified Professional in Law, with years of financial help and guidance from her sponsor!

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### Expressing My Gratitude...



***Miss. Gayani Dinesha after graduating with LL.B Degree from University of Colombo, Sri Lanka***

I am Gayani Dinesha, a student who got a scholarship from Sri Lanka - Canada Scholarship Foundation (SLCSF) in 2005. That scholarship was the turning point in my life! So I thought of sharing my story. I believe my story is an inspiration to other students and also to all the sponsors of SLCSF to realize how their generosity goes a long way in making a positive difference in someone's life!

I passed the General Certificate of Education - Ordinary Level (GCE O/L) Exam in 2004 with 10 A's from Rippon Girls College, Galle. Then I applied for a SLCSF scholarship and I was selected. I continued my studies with the support of this scholarship. Meanwhile my father passed away on August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006. He was working in a private company. My mother, two brothers, and I were helpless. We didn't have any income, property or other assets. My mother was a housewife. Fortunately after two weeks from my father's funeral, I received a letter from Mr.

Anil Fernando in Edmonton, Canada. He was my sponsor. He had mentioned in his letter "If you like to continue higher studies, I will be glad to help you."

I was very encouraged by that letter. Until then, I thought I would have to give up my dreams. I informed him about my economic situation and that my father had passed away. Even though I continued to get financial support from the SLCSF scholarship until 2007, it was not enough for my education. Therefore, Mr. Fernando helped me personally, in addition to his sponsorship through the SLCSF. When he came to Sri Lanka in January 2007, he visited my home. After the GCE (A/L) exam he continued to assist me financially to follow an English course and a computer course. Actually I felt that he was my father!

I passed the GCE (A/L) exam with 3 A's in Arts stream, and became the 23<sup>rd</sup> in Galle District. Then I got admission to the Faculty of Law in University of Colombo in 2008. Even though I got a Mahapola scholarship, that was not enough to continue my studies. So, Mr. Fernando paid all the expenses for my university studies, which was a big relief to me. When he was in Sri Lanka in 2011, he visited me again to encourage me to continue my studies without thinking about financial hardships.

I completed my LL.B degree on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Honours (Lower Division). After my LL.B degree, I had to do the Attorney-at-Law exam in the Law College. For that I needed money to pay fees for the registration, classes, exams, etc., in addition to other expenses. However, I didn't have to worry about money at all, as Mr. Fernando continued to help me even after the 2-year sponsorship commitment was over. Finally, I passed the Attorney-at-Law exam in April 2013, with a 2nd Class Honours (Upper Division).

After the Attorney-at-Law exam, I had to work as an Apprentice under a senior lawyer. Searching for a senior lawyer was not an easy task for me. Mr. Anil Fernando helped me again by finding a senior lawyer with the help of his sister-in-law. I am so fortunate that Mr. Fernando was there to help me all along. The laptop he presented to me is very valuable not only for my studies, but also for my professional life. He also introduced me to his relatives and friends, who helped me as well in many ways. I am very thankful to all of them.

**To Mr. Anil Fernando:** I am ever grateful to you not only for the financial assistance you provided all along, but for everything else you did for me, as if I was your own daughter: by showing me the correct path and giving me important advice; encouraging me whenever I was feeling disappointed and discouraged; correcting any grammar and spelling errors in my letters and e-mails; showing my weak points and appreciating my good qualities; and always enriching me with advice to be a good citizen. I am so fortunate for having you as my guiding light! Finally, I also wish to thank the Sri Lanka - Canada Scholarship Foundation for their services and wish to help the SLCSF in whatever capacity in their future work. I am also determined to extend a helping hand to other unknown children in realizing their dreams, the same way Mr. Fernando did for me!

**Editor's Note:**

*We are very thankful to Mr. Anil and Mrs. Sriyanthi Fernando of Edmonton, AB, Canada, for continuing to help Miss. Gayani Dinesha past the scholarship commitment period of 2-years and transforming her life from a helpless child to a productive citizen who stands on her own feet today with confidence, ready to serve the society.*

*Anil and Sriyanthi - We are very proud of you!*



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## Messages from Scholarship Recipients to Sponsors

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Following are some messages from students to their sponsors, extracted from the "Student Profile Cards" from this year's scholarship recipients.

This student considers herself to be very fortunate to receive a scholarship under the theme of "A Light to Education". She expects to utilize her scholarship money for attending tuition classes. In a poem, she wishes good health, no difficulties, prosperity and long life to the sponsor...

### Message From Student to Sponsor:

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"අධ්‍යාපනයට ආලෝකයක්" යන කේමාව  
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මෙම අධ්‍යයනය මා ලැබූ විශිෂ්ට ආගායක  
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වැය කිරීමට බලාපොරොත්තු වෙමි.  
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{ කෙරෙහිත් කරනින් මම වැජඹේවා! }

This student tells the sponsor how this scholarship brought life back to his mother and father, who were desperately thinking of how to divert any money for his education, when they have to use the hard-earned money for satisfying the hunger. He is determined to meet all the expectations of the sponsor and the parents.

### Message From Student to Sponsor:

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වෙමි.











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පම ඒක බහගේ වෙස්ම පැනි පැනි මා වෙමුනේ ව කිරිග දී ඒ නිසිද  
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කරව්වෙමි. ම මම මත තුමිට ලිග දිවිවස්සේ මගේ දිකිර වසනවත්ත  
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In the following letter, a student promises her sponsors to maintain the trust the sponsors had placed on her by completing her education successfully one day. She is determined not to forget her past and doing a service to the society, following the example of her sponsors. She ends her letter with a poem, expressing her gratitude to the sponsors...

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මගේ කුදිරි කුත්තාදුරග පුදු කර සිටින්නෙමි.

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පිත්ත මග පම,  
කුකි පුදුමි නිරතුව ”

වෙලට,  
වස්තූන්ගේ දිගුකි.

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## Audited Financial Statements

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### Sri Lanka Canada Scholarship Foundation (Canada) Income/Expenses Statement – April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013

<b>Income:</b>	<u>Canadian \$</u>
Scholarship Fund (Donations)	35,012.50
Bank Interest Income	994.28
Donations to cover expenses	258.80
Special contributions	710.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>36,975.58</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Scholarship Fund – Payments to students	
92 Students (Scholarship Period: 2010 -2012)	3,808.06
93 Students (Scholarship Period: 2011 -2013)	10,912.40
130 Students (Scholarship Period: 2012 -2014)	9,872.87
Total Scholarship Fund – Payments to students	24,593.33
Advertisements (Calling for applications in SL newspapers)	258.96
Bank Service Charges	266.07
Stationary & Postage - Canada	258.80
Printing & Postage – Sri Lanka	161.11
Paypal Charges	33.15
Registration Fees	75.00
Tax on Interest	91.93
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>25,738.35</b>
<b>Net Income (Expenses)</b>	<b><u>11,237.23</u></b>

### Balance Sheet – As at March 31, 2013

<b>Assets:</b>	<u>Canadian \$</u>
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
Bank of Ceylon - Nugegoda, Sri Lanka	
Chequing	154.76
Savings	29,109.80
Total Bank of Ceylon	29,264.56
Envision Credit Union	
Chequing	1,182.76
Savings	3,700.40
Equity Shares	81.65
Total Envision Credit Union	4,964.81
Total Chequing/Savings	34,229.37
Total Current Assets	34,229.37
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>34,229.37</u></b>



**Liabilities & Equity:**

Current Liabilities		
Prepaid Scholarship Account	4,650.00	
Total Current Liabilities		4,650.00
Equity		
Opening Balance	18,642.14	
Previous Year Adjustment Account	(300.00)	
Net Income	11,237.23	
Total Equity		29,579.37
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>		<b><u>34,229.37</u></b>

**Sri Lanka Canada Scholarship Foundation (Sri Lanka)**  
**Income/Expenses Statement – April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013**

<b>Income:</b>		<u>Sri Lankan Rs:</u>
Remittances from Canada		6,205,502.25
Deposits in Sri Lanka		1,000.00
Interest Income	114,683.88	
Less: Withholding Tax on Interest	<u>(11,264.11)</u>	103,419.77
Total Income		6,309,922.02
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Payments to students		
92 Students (Scholarship Period: 2010 -2012)	432,000.00	
93 Students (Scholarship Period: 2011 -2013)	1,339,200.00	
130 Students (Scholarship Period: 2012 -2014)	1,248,000.00	
Total Payments to students		3,019,200.00
Advertising (Calling for applications in Sri Lankan newspapers)		31,987.00
Printing & Postage		19,900.00
Bank Service Charges		13,000.00
Bank Debit Taxes		300.00
Total Expenses		3,084,387.00
<b>Net Income (Expenses)</b>		<b><u>3,225,535.02</u></b>

Note: Canadian \$1.00 = Sri Lankan Rs: 127.00

**Balance Sheet – As at March 31, 2013**

<b>Assets:</b>		<u>Sri Lankan Rs:</u>
Current Assets		
Cash at Bank – Bank of Ceylon, Nugegoda, Sri Lanka		<u>3,721,277.63</u>
<b>Liabilities &amp; Equity:</b>		
Equity		495,742.61
Net Income		<u>3,225,535.02</u>
		<u>3,721,277.63</u>

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## Special Donations

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The following special donations have been made during 2012/13. Some of these have been used in meeting specific expenses of the foundation while the remaining have been used to offset other overheads. Any remaining amounts have been pooled to provide additional scholarships.

We thank the following donors for the special donations:

- Mr. Sudu Vatagodakumbura, Surrey, BC - \$175.00 for newspaper advertisements, postage and stationery
- Mr. Gayan Abeysundara, Coquitlam, BC - \$70.00 for web site hosting
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- By letting your friends know about the Sri Lanka - Canada Scholarship Foundation and what it does to help needy Sri Lankan students. Please feel free to make copies of this newsletter and distribute to your friends.
  - By making special donations to cover miscellaneous expenses (such as, printing and mailing this newsletter, printing our information brochure, postage and other office stationery). We use only special donations to cover these miscellaneous expenses, without using sponsor donations given for scholarships.
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