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171 Scholarships Awarded in 2020!

We have awarded in total 171 new scholarships this year.

We thank all our sponsors for making this happen! So far, we have awarded over 2500 scholarships to Sri Lankan students worth nearly half a million dollars!

*All limitations are self-imposed.
- Oliver Wendell Holmes*

Special Thanks to Our 2020/21 Volunteers

We cannot express how truly grateful we are for your volunteer support. Your willingness to help us & your contributions to help the students is very much appreciated and acknowledged. We are humbled by your extraordinary support especially during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Miss Crystal Ren is a grade 11 student from Oakville, Ontario. She reached out to us through the SLCSF website. She is currently enrolled in the French Immersion “International Baccalaureate Program”. Because of her connection with a Sri Lankan high school student - a pen pal, she has mentioned, she is very much interested in joining & volunteering her time to help with the Foundation. She assisted with initial preparation of the 2020 Student List for the Newsletter.

Mr. Anura Karunatileke is from Sri Lanka and showed his enthusiasm by helping with translating a few appreciation letters from our students written in Sinhala to English to their sponsors. He also expressed his willingness to do more in the upcoming scholarship process.

Mrs. Dilani Indigahawela is a long-term sponsor of the Foundation. She got support from one of her friends to translate a few letters from our students written in Sinhala to English. She also contacted her Facebook friends and encouraged them to join the scholarship process. As a result, she managed to add six more scholarships and also, she was so kind enough to add an additional scholarship to her existing payment plan. Thank you Dilani for your generosity, kindness & compassion towards the students who need our help

especially a time like this - facing new and evolving challenges & uncertainty.

Mrs. Janice Gehrtz is a colleague from work and she is very impressed with the work that the SLCSF does for the underprivileged children in Sri Lanka. She assisted to improve a 'Poem' with her exceptional writing skills. The poem is a part of a student letter to her sponsor to appreciate the support that she receives & to show her gratitude.

Special recognition to **Dr. Gamini Senarath** for encouraging her two daughters to participate in the 2020 Scholarship Process & adding 6 more scholarships on the top of his own & also giving a much-needed boost to increase the total number of students for 2020/2022.

THANK YOU!

Memorial Scholarship Awards

Sponsoring Memorial scholarships is an excellent way to ensure that the memory of a 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!

You may request any scholarship to be designated as a Memorial Scholarship.

This year we have awarded 62 memorial scholarships! These memorial scholarships and their sponsors are:

Mr. A. D. W. Bandaranayake & Mrs. C. M. Bandaranayake Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Mrs. I. Bandaranayake, Craigieburn, Victoria, Australia, in loving memory of her late parents.

Mrs. I. Bandaranayake's Uncles & Aunts Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Mrs. I. Bandaranayake, Craigieburn, Victoria, Australia, in loving memory of her late uncles & aunts.

Mr. Barbet & Mrs. Gunawathi De Silva Memorial Scholarship

Awarded By:

Mr. T. Sisira De Silva, St. John's, NL, in loving memory of his late parents.

Mr. Edward Bernadine Fernando Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Dr. Mrs. Ursula's Fernando & Mr. Sunil Weeratunga, Winnipeg, MB in loving memory of Ursula's late uncle.

Mrs. Nimala Dias Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Mr. Mahen & Mrs. Sepali Gunasekera, Davis, CA USA in loving memory of Sepali's late mother.

Mrs. Theresa Guruwatta Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Mr. Sirinatha W. Gunawardane, Ottawa, ON in loving memory of his late aunt.

Mr. Dickson Fernando Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Ms. Dilani Indigahawela, Burnaby, BC in loving memory of her father.

Mr. Eddie Widyaratne Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Dr. Gemunu Widyaratne & Ms Dushmanthi Jayasinghe, Saskatoon, SK in loving memory of Gemunu's late father.

Mr. Don Sumanaratne de Alwis Jayasinghe Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Dr. Gemunu Widyaratne & Ms Dushmanthi Jayasinghe, Saskatoon, SK in loving memory of Dushmanthi's late father.

Mr. D. A. Kuruppu & Mrs. P. T. Kuruppu Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Mr. D. K. Kuruppu, Victoria, Australia, in loving memory of his late parents.

Mrs. Hettiarachchige Harriet Ranasinghe & Mr. Carolis Ranasinghe Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Ms. Samanthika Sandamali Kuruppu, Victoria, Australia, in loving memory of her grandparents.

Mr. D. A. Kuruppu & Mrs. P. T. Kuruppu Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Mr. Don P. Kuruppu, Victoria, Australia, in loving memory of his late parents.

Mr. D. R. A. Kuruppu & Mrs. L. M. Kuruppu Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Mr. Don P. Kuruppu, Victoria, Australia, in loving memory of his late uncle & aunt.

Mrs. Anula Rathnayake Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:

Mr. Priyantha & Mrs. Sheelanganie D. Rathnayake, Florence, CA USA in loving memory of Priyantha's late mother Mrs. Anula Rathnayake

Mr. Jaysundara M. Karunaratne Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:
Mr. Priyantha & Mrs. Sheelanganie D. Rathnayake,
Florence, CA USA in loving memory of Sheelanganie's
late father.

Mr. Jasin Senarath Memorial Scholarships (3)

Awarded by:
Dr. Gamini & Mrs. Devika Senarath, Nepean, ON in loving
memory of Gamini's late father.

**Mr. Lucian Gunawardena & Mrs. Malik Gunawardena
Memorial Scholarships (2)**

Awarded by:
Dr. Gamini & Mrs. Devika Senarath, Nepean, ON in loving
memory of Devika's late parents.

Mr. Marlon Joseph Paris Memorial Scholarships (5)

Awarded by:
Mr. Nicholas Paris & Mrs. Maneesha Senarath, Nepean,
ON in loving memory of Maneesha's late uncle.

Mr. Hugh James Flannigan Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by:
Miss Sashini Senarath, Nepean, ON in loving memory of
Sashini's late grandfather.

**Mrs. Seela Subasinghe & Mr. Sujith Subasinghe
Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded by:
Mr. Henry Subasinghe, Surrey, BC in loving memory of
his late wife and his late son.

**Mr. Sudu Vatagodakumbura's late parents, late
siblings and paternal late grandfather Memorial
Scholarships (11)**

Awarded by:
Mr. Sudu & Mrs. Stella Vatagodakumbura, Surrey, BC in
loving memory of Sudu's late parents, late siblings &
paternal late grandfather.

Mrs. Kalyani Wanasundara Memorial Scholarships (2)

Awarded by:
Dr. Udaya & Dr. Mrs. Janitha Wanasundara, Saskatoon,
SK in loving memory of Udaya's late mother.

**Mr. & Mrs. T. B. Weerasekera & Ms Sriyangani & Ms
Kalyani Memorial Scholarships (10)**

Awarded by:
Mr. Rohana Weerasekera, Sri Lanka in loving memory of
his late parents and his late two sisters.

**Master Nuwan Wijayasinghe Memorial Scholarships
(5)**

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

Master Nuwan Wijayasinghe Memorial Scholarships (5)

Awarded by:
Ms Sharon Power, Tiburon, CA USA in loving memory of Dr.
Mahendra & Mrs. Chandrani Wijayasinghe's late son.

Dr. Tissa Kappagoda Memorial Scholarships (2)

Awarded by:
Mr. Sudu & Mrs. Stella Vatagodakumbura/SLCSF in loving
memory of Sudu's late friend.

*Note: The recipients of these scholarships are
included in the list of "Scholarship Awards for
2020".*

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

Be so good they can't ignore you.
- Steve Martin

**Scholarship Sponsors for the Years
2019/20 and 2020/21**

We thank all our sponsors for their kindness
and generosity in helping Sri Lankan children to
be successful in education! 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 2020:

- ❖ 8 scholarships sponsored by Dr. Chandra &
Mrs. Ruwandi Andrahennadi, Saskatoon,
SK.
- ❖ 5 scholarships sponsored by Mr. Chalaka
Liyanage, Ottawa, ON
- ❖ 12 scholarships sponsored by Mr. Dylan &
Mrs. Christine Modder, Burnaby, BC.
- ❖ 5 memorial scholarships sponsored by Ms.
Sharon Power, Tiburon, CA

- ❖ 5 memorial scholarships sponsored by Dr. Gamini & Mrs. Devika Senarath, Nepean, ON.
- ❖ 5 memorial scholarships sponsored by Mr. Nicholas Paris & Mrs. Maneesha Senarath, Nepean, ON.
- ❖ 11 memorial scholarships sponsored by Mr. Sudu & Mrs. Stella Vatagodakumbura, Surrey, BC.
- ❖ 10 memorial scholarships sponsored by Mr. Rohana Weeraseskara, Sri Lanka
- ❖ 10 scholarships sponsored by Mr. Asoke & Dr. Mrs. Nandanie Weerasinghe, Edmonton, AB.
- ❖ 5 memorial scholarships sponsored by Dr. Mahendra & Mrs. Chandrani Wijayasinghe, Edmonton, AB
- ❖ 6 scholarships sponsored by Mrs. Gothamica Wickramasekara, Edmonton, AB.

The following is the list of our sponsors (including memorial scholarship sponsors) during the years 2019/20 and 2020/21. We sincerely apologize if we have missed any names or for any incorrect spelling.

Notes:

When more than one scholarship is sponsored, the number of scholarships awarded is indicated within brackets. (x+y) indicate the number of new scholarships sponsored in 2019 (x) and 2020 (y), respectively.

AUSTRALIA

- Mrs. Irangani Bandaranayake, Victoria, Australia (2+2)
- Mrs. Kishani De Silava, Victoria, Australia (0+3)
- Mrs. Punthila Erandi Jayarathne, Victoria, Australia (1+0)
- Mr. D. K. Kuruppu, Victoria, Australia (1+1)
- Miss Samanthika Kuruppu, Victoria, Australia (1+1)
- Mr. Don P. Kuruppu, Victoria, Australia (2+2)

ALBERTA, CANADA

- Mr. Gihan Abeysundara, Edmonton, AB (2+0)
- Mr. Rohan and Mrs. Sama Abeysundara, Edmonton, AB (1+0)
- Ms. Heshani Abeysundara, Edmonton, AB (1+0)
- Mr. Sarath Adikary, Calgary, AB (1+0)
- Mr. Beumal & Mrs. Eresha Fernando, Edmonton, AB (4+0)
- Mr. Laknath Gunawardena - Calgary, AB (0+2)

- Dr. Patrick and Mrs. Srianthi Hettiarachchi, Calgary, AB (1+1)
- Dr. Nimal & Mrs. Chitra Rajapakse, Edmonton, AB (4+0)
- Mr. Kaluthota S. Samarasinghe, Edmonton, AB (0+1)
- Mr. Asoke and Dr. Mrs. Nandanie Weerasinghe, Edmonton, AB (10+10)
- Mrs. Gothamica Wickramasekara, Edmonton, AB (0+6)
- Dr. Mahendra and Mrs. Chandrani Wijayasinghe, Edmonton, AB (0+5)
- Mr. Mahinda and Mrs. Nayanthara Witharana, Edmonton, AB (1+1)

BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

- Mr. Upali & Mrs. Kaumalie Adikaram, Surrey, BC (1+0)
- Mr. Gunadasa Ankumbura, Surrey, BC (0+1)
- Mr. Charith Ariyaratne, Coquitlam, BC (0+1)
- Mr. Thineth Ariyaratne, Coquitlam, BC (0+1)
- Mr. Siyath Ariyaratne, Coquitlam, BC (0+1)
- Dr. Upul & Mrs. Deepthi Atukorala, Vancouver, BC (0+4)
- Ms Gayani Hewa Bandula, Surrey, BC (2+0)
- Ms Dhananthi Batcha, Langley, BC (2+0)
- Ms Kaushalya Bodinagoda, Richmond, BC (1+0)
- Mrs. Lisa Brown, Chilliwack, BC (0+4)
- Mr. Upali Sirikumara & Mrs. Charitha Dharmaratne, Burnaby, BC (1+1)
- Dr. Ediriweera & Mrs. Mahendra Deshapriya, Burnaby, BC (0+1)
- Mr. Duminda and Mrs. Samantha Epa, Langley, BC (1+0)
- Mr. Nimal & Mrs. Chitra Fernando, Vancouver, BC (4+2)
- Mr. Roshan & Mrs. Belle Fernando, Surrey, BC (1+0)
- Mr. Dhananjaya Gamalath, (2+0)
- Mrs. Indira Hewa Bandula, Surrey, BC (0+2)
- Ms Dilani Indigahawela - Burnaby, BC (2+1)
- Dr. Sarath & Mrs. Krishanthi Jayawardena, Surrey, BC (1+0)
- Mr. Channa Lokugamage, Port Coquitlan, BC (0+2)
- Mr. Dylan & Mrs. Christine Modder, Burnaby, BC (12+12)
- Mrs. Lakmini Nanayakkara, Surrey, BC (0+2)
- Mr. Viraj Opananda, Surrey, BC (0+1)
- Mr. Palith & Mrs. Kumudini Palliyaguru, Maple Ridge, BC (0+1)
- Mr. Chandima & Mrs. Sumudu Panditha, Surrey, BC (1+0)
- Dr. Arjuna & Mrs. Nadika N. Perera, Port Moody, BC (2+2)
- Mr. Kapila & Mrs. Shyama Perera, Surrey, BC (2+0))
- Miss. Minurika Perusinghe and Mr. Harin Perusinghe, Surrey, BC (2+0)
- Dr. Nimal and Dr. Mrs. Dhaneshwarie Rajapakse, Vancouver, BC (8+0)
- Mr. Sena Ranasinghe, Surrey, BC (1+0)
- Miss. Sajini P. Rangana, Surrey, BC (1+0)
- Miss. Thanuji D. Rangana, Surrey, BC (1+0)
- Mr. Hemal & Mrs. Hemi Ratnakara (0+1)
- Mr. Kavi Ratnaweera, Surrey, BC (1+0)
- Mr. Upul Seneviratne, Surrey, BC (2+0))
- Ms Janaki Samarasekera & Mr. Shantha Athukorala, Surrey, BC (1+0)
- Mrs. Ruwani Sodhi, Surrey, BC (0+2)
- Mr. Aman Sodhi, Surrey, BC (0+2)
- Mr V. Achala N. Soysa, Vancouver, BC (1+1)
- Mrs. Chandra Stokes, Mission, BC (2+2)
- Mr. Ryan Stokes, Mission, BC (0+3)
- Mr. Henry Subasinghe, Surrey, BC (0+1)
- Mr. Dushan Thalagala, Burnaby, BC (0+3)
- Mr. Nirosan & Mrs. Ruwanie Ushettige, Victoria, BC (0+1)
- Mr. Sudu & Mrs. Stella Vatagodakumbura, Surrey, BC (12+11)

Mrs. Suneetha Weerasesekera, Port Coquitlam, BC (0+1)
Mr. Karunitha Wimalasooriya, Surrey, BC (0+2)

MANITOBA, CANADA

Dr. Udaya Annakkage, Winnipeg, MB (6+0)
Mr. Steven Campbell & Mrs. Thisaru Nimalgoda,
Winnipeg, MB (2+0)
Mrs. Sasanda Nimalgoda, Winnipeg, MB (0+2)
Dr. Mrs. Ursula Fernando & Mr. Sunil Weeratunge,
Winnipeg, MB (0+1)

NEWFOUNDLAND, CANADA

Mr. T. Sisira De Silva, St. John's, NL (1+1)

ONTARIO, CANADA

Mr. Sirinatha Gunawardana, Nepean, ON (0+1)
Mr. Bandu & Dr. Mrs. Manel Imbulgoda, Dundas, ON
(2+2)
Mr. Chalaka Liyanage, Ottawa, ON (10+5)
Dr. Gamini & Mrs. Devika Senarath, Nepean, ON (0+5)
Mr. Nicholas Paris & Mrs. Maneesha Senarath, Nepean,
ON (0+5)
Miss. Sashini Senarath, Nepean, ON (0+1)
Mr. Hasantha & Mrs. Kanchana Sirisena, Burlington, ON
(2+0)
Mr. Cyril Weerathunga, Windsor, ON (0+2)
Mr. Amaranantha Weerakkody, Markham, ON (1+0)

SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA

Dr. Chandra P. & Mrs. Ruwandi Andrahennadi, Sask. SK
(0+8)
Dr. Gemunu Widyaratne & Ms. Dushmanthi Jayasinghe,
Sask. SK (2+2)
Dr. Udaya & Dr. Mrs. Janitha Wanasundra - Sask. SK
(2+2)
Sri Lanka Association of Saskatoon Inc. SK (0+1)

JAPAN

Mrs. Mariko Inoue, Okayama, Japan (1+0)
De. K. I. Amila Sampath, Chiba, Japan (1+2)

SRI LANKA

Mr. S.N. Jayantha Senarathne, Narammala, Sri Lanka
(1+1)
Miss M. D. M. I. Gunathilaka, Bandaragama, Sri Lanka
(0+1)
Mr. Rohana Weerasesekera - Sri Lanka (0+10)
Miss Vidanagamage Sandamali Malkanthi, Maththegoda,
Sri Lanka (0+1)
Dr. W. Lahiru S. Karunaratne, Sri Lanka (0+1)

UNITED STATES

Dr. Eranda Harinath and Mrs. Ruvini Dematagolle,
Lexington, MA USA (2+0)
Ms Chaturi & Manulya Gunasekera, Davis, CA USA (0+1)
Mr. Mahen & Mrs. Sepali Gunasekera, Davis, CA USA
(0+1)
Mr. Elijah & Mr. Bennett Furey, Rochester, MN USA (1+1)
Dr. Ms Nipunie Rajapakse, Rochester, MN USA (0+1)
Mr. Priyantha & Mrs. Sheelanganie D. Rathnayake,
Florence, NJ USA (0+2)
Ms Sharon Power, Tiburon, CA USA (0+5)
Mr. Lasantha & Kumary Ubayasena, Polk City, CA USA
(1+0)

CANADA

Sri Lanka – Canada Scholarship Foundation (10+2)

Scholarship Awards – 2020

This year we have selected 171 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!

Mr.Singharage Nuran Thamidu Jinendra,Godakawela
Miss.Mahadura Vithanalage Sineka Savintha,Kolonna
Miss.K. Wahumpurage Vihari Anjana Ariyasena,Kolonna
Mr.Ranatunge arachchilage Janidu Induwara,Puwakpitiya
Miss.Thakshila De Silva Hewakopara,Hakuruwela
Miss.B.M.Imesha Sewwandi Bandaranayake, Uduhawara
Miss.Nanayakkarage Sawini Sandeepani,Alawatura
Miss.M. Gunawardana Menushi Kavindya,Urubokka
Miss.S. K. Arachchige Shashini Dilshani,Warapitiya
Mr.N. Keppetiduwa Shashindu Aloka,Imaduwa
Miss.Dissanayake M. Anuradha Kalyani,Uva-Palwaththa
Miss.Ramanakge Lasanthi Warunika,Uva-Palwaththa
Miss.R. K. Sugandhi Punsala Ariyaratne,Uva-Palwaththa
Miss.D.G.R.D. Theekshana Dorakumbura,Nawalapitiya
Mr.W. M. Vishwa Chamith Maleesha,Mahiyanganaya
Miss.K. Kankanamlage Sasini Imasha,Thalawa North
Mr.Gurusinghe Romesh Kavinda,Unanvitiya
Mr.K.M.Pasidu Maduranga Premadasa,Bulutota
Mr.A. M. Hashitha Heshan Abeykoon,Uduhawara
Mr.P. G. Nadun Kalhara Ariyaratne,Telijjawila
Mr.M. G. Eranda Priyankara Wijerathna,Wahakotte
Mr.B. G. Eranga Lakshitha Kumara,Balangoda
Mr.K. K. C. Chiranthaka Sanjeewa Gunaratne,Kolonna
Miss.M. K. Nimesha Chathuri Menikkadawara,Belihuloya
Mr.A. M. U. Pubudu Deshan Adasuriya,Bamunakotuwa
Miss.Wickremage Hansi Ashara,Uyangoda
Miss.Witharanage Chamudi Harshamali,Tangalle
Miss.Hansi Sanjana Wimalasooriya,Polonnaruwa
Mr.Kodagoda Vitharanage Gihan Sathsara,Uyangoda
Mr.S. Sasmita Vimukthi Samarakoon,Henegama
Miss.W. B. Heshani Uthpala Wathugedara,Wadduwa
Miss.A. Weerawarna Hasara Panchani,Hungama
Mr.K. Haputhanthrige Sri Mihindu Dulmina,Piliyandala
Miss.Thalpe Ahangamage Sathmi Ruwanga Thisendi,Galle
Miss.R. Mohottala Dilmi Madhushika Kumari,Narammala
Miss.Jayasekara Pathiranage Vidusha Lakshani,Sevanagala
Miss.R. Mudiyansele Niranjala Sanjeewani,Nugagolla
Miss.Gonagala Vithanage Hiruni Hansika,Via Mathugama
Miss.Hettiarachchige Dilmi Amanda Sathsarani,Hungama
Miss. C. Ashinshana Nethmini Fernando,Alawwa
Miss.J.P.Hashini Mekala Sewwandi Pathirana,Bibila
Miss.Waduge Madurage Hiruni Kaushalya,Eheliyagoda
Miss.J. S. Sashikamini Kankanalee Jayathunga,Kirama
Miss.M. Govindi Shashmini Fernando Jayasuriya,Payagala
Miss.Munihinge Ishara Madushani,Kolonna
Miss.K. M. Rashmi Nirukshi Kumari,Kadugannawa

Miss.Garihinge Sithara Rathnayake,Kolonna
 Miss.Kulappu Thanthrige Bodyanga Kalani,Pareigama
 Mr.J. S. Wellala Rajapakshe,Udugama,Galle
 Miss.T.G. Nethmi Prabhawari Thalpe Guruge,Beliatta
 Miss.G. M. Pathiranalage Dilashi
 Sawandika,Debarawewa
 Mr.Kapu Geekiyanage Panchaka Piyushan,Agalawaththa
 Miss.Punchi Kattandige Champika Vinodani,Omalpe
 Mr.Mallawa Arachchige Kasun Sankalpa,Meegahathenna
 Miss.Mandalige Nethmi Kawya Fernando,Uduhawara
 Mr.P. Don Chamith Shehan Payagala,Mawathagama
 Miss.R. Achini Navoda Rupasingha,Mahiyanganaya
 Miss.Loku Liyana Dulmi Shehara Gunawardana,Batapola
 Mr.E. Denamulle Gedara Sahana Pamodya
 Dulwala,Pasyala
 Miss.M. Liyanage Hasini Tharushi
 Sandeepani,Udawalawa
 Mr.B. Mudiyansele Hasitha Sumudu,Phimbiya-
 Rathmale
 Mr.W. G. Sahana Hasintha Senavirathna,Hurulu Nikawewa
 Miss.Dona Nethmi Kaveesha Weerasinghe,Imbulgoda
 Miss.M. A. Nimni Hansika Thathsarani,Yakkala
 Miss.S. M. N. Navodya Samaraweera,Dehiattakandiya
 Mr.P. M. C. Dilum Chandrasena,Kanaththewewa
 Mr.J.Roshan Lakmal Jayasundara,Omalpe
 Miss.Sahabanduge Dilanshika Gangani,Embilipitiya
 Miss.G. M. Thilini Hansika Premadasa,Kolonna
 Miss.R. M. P. Chethani Rathnayake,Thambuththegama
 Miss.W. Himashi Nethmi Hansika Fernando,Bingiriya
 Miss.G. Mudiyansele Oshani Kavindya,Welimada
 Miss.B. W. Malsha Sewwandi Kumarasinghe,Balangoda
 Miss.W. Pathiranalage Methsarani,Walasmulla
 Mr.Umar Lebbe Afzal Ahmath,Kattankudu
 Mr.Mohamed Ajmal Amsa,Kurunegala
 Mr.J. Mohamed Asfaak,Kalmunaikydy-03
 Miss.Ilandarige Malki Imasha,Angunukolapelessa
 Mr.N. Rathnayakage Kasun Vishwajith,Imaduwa
 Mr.Wanasingha Mudiyansele Saraka Ravindu,Kantale
 Miss.Gayathri Sewwandi Amarasinghe,Hakuruwela
 Miss.G. W. A. Nethmini Wijesooriya,Rathmalgahawea
 Miss.R. Mudiyansele Malsha Nethmini,Ku/Thisogama
 Miss.Kasuni Madhara Wijerathna,Uragasmanhandiya
 Mr.Pitagampalage Pasindu Dilshan Premarathna,Kolonna
 Miss.G. Kulappu Arachchige Dinethi Tharindi,Deiyandara
 Miss.Rajapakshage Prabhasha Vidusarani,Hungama
 Miss.S. M. Gayani Rangika Menike,Padavi Sri Pura
 Miss.Suriya Arachchige Ushani Nimthara,Kalawana
 Miss.Wijesinge Savidi Kavindya,Thissamaharama
 Miss.C. Adhithya Kaushani Fernando,Alawwa
 Miss.Lasini Yasodanee Liyanage,Weligama
 Mr.T. Chamod Widusara,Walasmulla
 Miss.D. M. R. Dilhani Dharmasinghe,Mahiyanganaya
 Miss.Chamudi Malshani Nipuna Arachchi,Hungama
 Miss.M. M. Nethmi bhagya Perera,Mahiyanganaya
 Miss.Irumi Dilthara Ranaweera,Ompale
 Mr.H. Y. Matheesha Madhuranga,Ratnapura
 Mr.G. D. C. Chaturanga Gunarathna,Ratnapura
 Miss.Erabaddagodage Thisuri Sanjana,Ranna
 Miss.H. A. Hasini Sameeksha Hettiarachchi,Bingiriya
 Mr.E. J. Patabendige Nethma Nimnaka,Weligama
 Mr.Naida Handi Banula Bimsara De Silva,Balapitiya
 Mr.Wal Arumage Dineth Pabasara Fernando,Bentota
 Miss.Paththinige Thilini Bhagya Sewwandi,Matale
 Miss.Kankanamge Sachini Malshika,Kirama
 Mr.W. Mudiyansele Tharindu Rukshan,Hakmana

Miss.H. Ishara Sanjali Pramodya Hettiwana,Matale
 Mr.K. M. Pradeep Prasanga Lakshitha,Balangoda
 Miss.E. P. Yeshmi Vidiksha Dewmini,Weligama
 Miss.P. W. T. Udayangani Madhurasinghe,Nivithigala
 Miss.L. Lokuge Hashini Ishara Amarasinghe,Ampara
 Miss.K. G. A. Tharusha Nishadini Karaputugala,Matara
 Mr.Kaduruwane Gamage Shashika Vishwajith,Matara
 Miss.Ranagalage Sachini Apsara Sriyananda,Matara
 Mr.Mapala Gamage Milina Hansaka Gamage,Matara
 Mr.Kachimuhammadhu Abdulla,Eravur-06
 Miss.Sewmini Jayamali Samarasinghe,Matara
 Miss.M. Sachini Kawshalya Thathsarani,Kirama
 Miss.W. H. Gamage Vimasha Chamodi,Embilipitiya
 Mr.H. A. Hirusha Niluminda Wijerathna,Kirindiwela
 Miss.T. Mudiyansele Saduni Kavindya,Hurigaswewa
 Miss.M. G. Gamage Manthini Danoja,Netolpitiya
 Mr.S. P. Ayeshmantha Udayanga,Modarawana
 Miss.H. Gedara Dahami Tharushika,Hapugasthalawa
 Miss.K. M. Dushmanthi Tanika,Thuththiripitigama
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 Miss.Induni Savindya Weerasooriya,Kolonna
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 Miss.H. Dulari Tharushika Hettigedara,Hatton
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Inspiring Story from a Long-Term Member of SLCSF

The following email was sent to SLCSF by Mr. Cyril Weerathunga. Not only that he wanted to share the story that inspires him but also agreed to publish it in the Newsletter. This story is related to a letter that he received from a student assigned to him in 2020/2021.

November 4, 2020

I thought I should share this story with you all.

Perhaps most of you are aware that I have been supporting scholarship programs organized by Sri Lanka Canada Scholarship Foundation since 1998. The latest student assigned to me is a fisherman's daughter who is aspiring to be a doctor.

She has done well in her GCE O Level with eight A's & one C.

I am not sure if anyone of you ever visited a Fishermen's colony? It is not a very easy or pleasant experience. In Sri Lanka fisherfolks migrate from the South West region of the island to North East depending on Monsoons. Everyone in the household arise very early in the morning (around 4:00 AM to 5:00 AM). While men go out to sea, women folk prepare meals and get ready with containers etc. for fish. Sometimes men go out to sea at night and arrive early in the morning.

The middlemen (business sharks!) arrive in the morning and buy the fish at low prices. Fishermen have no option but to sell at the prices offered to them.

If you ever visit a fishermen's hut it has basic necessities and very smelly indeed. Everyone in the household has to pitch in to make the ends meet. When I was in the navy I visited few fishermen colonies.

As you know navy helps fishermen in distress at sea, sometimes saving their lives from heavy storms, breakdowns etc.

Life is not that easy in fishermen's colonies.

So, when I learned about this girl through SLCF, I decided to help her achieve her objectives. Margie akka agreed to coordinate efforts in Sri Lanka and Buddhika putha volunteered to get a suitable computer for her to do online studies.

One of our friends in Windsor offered medical books used by her daughters. Both of them are doctors now.

This opportunity also inspired me to record two songs as a tribute to fisherfolks & navy personnel who help fisherfolks.

All the best!

Cyril

Letter from Vidanagamage Sandamali Malkanthi (Past Scholarship Receipt)

I am Vidanagamage Sandamali Malkanthi, a past recipient of a scholarship awarded by the Sri Lanka-Canada Scholarship Foundation (SLCSF) in 2002. I am from Matara and I did the Advanced level studies at Sujatha Balika Vidyalaya, Matara. I am a graduate of Bachelor of Computer Science from University of Colombo School of Computing.

I am the 5th child of my family with a younger brother. At that time, my parents had to afford all the educational expenses of my brother, myself and my elder sister. My father had to retire from his job at that time, since he was not well. That was the time I applied to SLCSF and I got to know about it from "Bauddaya" newspaper. My mother saw the advertisement of SLCSF, and I applied for the scholarship. It was a great support to my parents to fulfil my financial needs for the Advanced level.

I got the chance to study Computer Science in University of Colombo from my 2nd attempt of the Advanced level examination. During my university time I got a letter from Mrs. Manel Perera, who is a sponsor of SLCSF. I have contacted her, and she helped me to get my own computer which was very helpful to do my Computer Science studies. I am Thankful to her and SLCSF for helping me to get to the place where I am now.

Now I am working in a Canadian based offshore development office in Colombo. When I am working with Canadian people who migrated from Sri Lanka, I always remember SLCSF. Co-founder of my current company is a Sri Lankan who migrated to Canada. So, I am grateful I have met these beautiful souls in my life.

I am grateful for all the past and present sponsors of SLCSF for helping children to achieve their dreams. I wish all the very best to SLCSF for continuing the great work for helping education for Sri Lankan children.

Sincerely,
Sandamali Vidanagamage

Letters from our Scholarship Recipients

Letters from our Scholarship Recipients:

The following are the translated paragraph or portion of letters written by students to their sponsors to express their gratitude. Also, to thank them for helping to fulfil their hopes & dreams and eventually to have a better life for them as well as for their families.

"A flower awakens in the sun
Life awakens through education"

Giving someone, something is one of the hardest things in the world or donating something to someone. To give something to anyone, we must have something. When we have nothing, it is difficult to give something to someone else. Great people like you can do such great deeds.

“ මලක් පුඩුදින්නේ හිරු වලියෙනි.
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"Should a life have to be ended just because it's unbearable?

I kiss the bunch of thorns to be a flower tomorrow"

I am very lucky to pass the General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level Exam with 9As in the middle of extreme financial difficulties & obstacles. Even though I had to face various challenges as a child when I was growing up, my future hope is to be a useful citizen of our society. I want to be a doctor & to make it rewarding I will work very hard until I succeed. My only hope is to get an education in the midst of great difficulties and one day win life. Therefore,

"I kiss the bunch of thorns to be a flower tomorrow"

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"In the flowers that bloom in spring
Smells that good to everyone
A flower blossoming in bush of woods
Will someone smell it?

Visible in everywhere
Thorny bushes growing together
To fence the smell blowing in the wind
Will there be any?

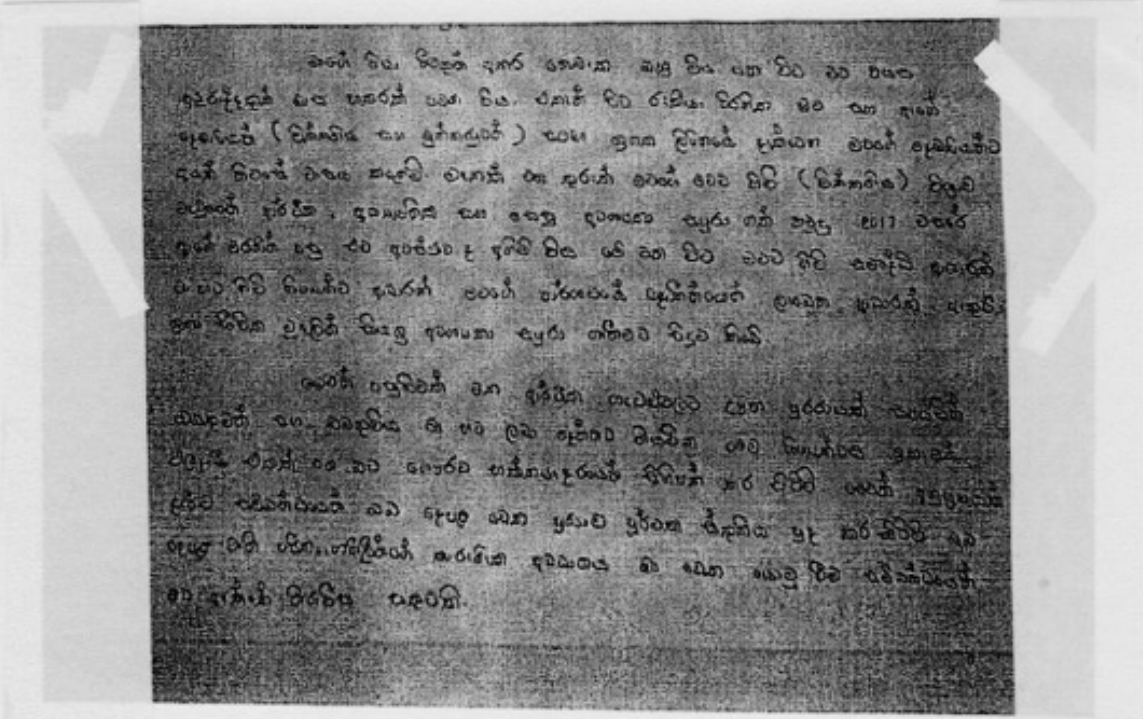
Even I have to face many obstacles
I determined to move forward
Because, you gave me strength
To a lonely flower in the wilderness

I wish you happiness
And thank you
From the bottom of my heart
Indelible in my mind"

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My father passed away when I was about one and four months old. Having no income to survive, my mother & I had to move to my grandparent's place. We have been living with them since my father's death. Somehow, we have managed to cover our expenses and my educational needs from my grandmother's pension. But, after my grandmother passed away in 2017, we also lost that opportunity. At this moment, with the "Samurdhi" aid that my mother receives & the scholarship assistance (local government) that I am entitled, as well as with the support from the relatives on my mother's side helped us somehow to manage all our basic necessities with the very limited amount of money.

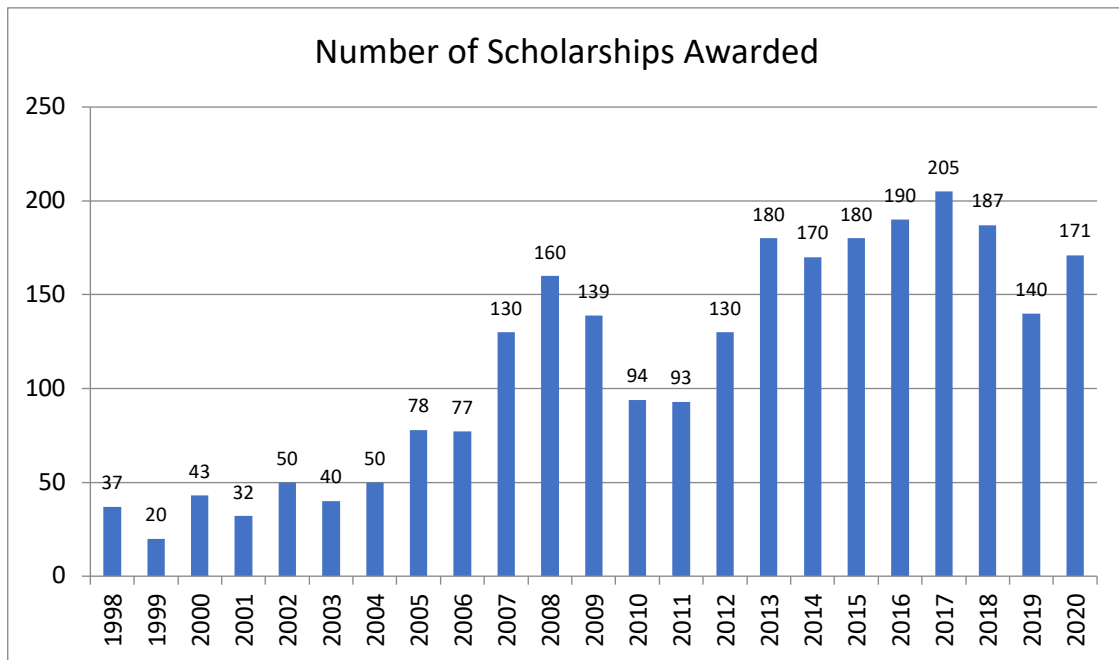
Under these circumstances, providing a source of inspiration for our financial problems, I sincerely have to mention to both of you that sponsoring me to receive this scholarship is extremely valuable.



.....My father is a farmer. Our family depends on his income from his farm. But, it was so unfortunate that he had been diagnosed with arthritis for about 4 or 5 years now. As a result, he is suffering from severe pain in his knees & is unable to work as a farmer or any type of labour work for a living. Because of the severity of the pain in his knees, he is unable to stand for a long period of time. Though he got treatments, there has been no relief for his condition. Therefore, he stays home without a job. Even under this desperate situation, we have not received any aid from the government. My mother has been suffering from diabetes, high-blood pressure & high cholesterol for about nine years now. As a result of spending a huge amount of money for their medications, my education was also crippled & got worse & worse. Also, I would like to mention that my brother failed the General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level Exam. Last year, in 2019 he had managed to pass math. He is also without a job and stays home to look after our father.

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SLCSF has awarded over 2500 scholarships!



The above chart shows the number of scholarships awarded each year since the inception of SLCSF in 1998. Thanks to our sponsors, we have now awarded 2596 scholarships, and have donated over 65 million Sri Lankan Rupees to students as scholarship stipends.

Audited Financial Statements

Sri Lanka Canada Scholarship Foundation (Canada) **Income/Expenses Statement - April 1 2019 to March 31, 2020**

Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Interest Income	3,156.58
Special Contributions	50.00
Sponsor Donations	<u>47,922.31</u>
Total Income	<u>51,128.89</u>
Gross Profit	51,128.89
Expenses	
Bank Charges	281.00
Other Types of Expenses	
Advertising Expenses	<u>269.29</u>
Total Other Types of Expenses	269.29
Payments to University students	4,778.83
PayPal Fees	100.98
Printing and Postage	368.98
Scholarship Payments	
Payments- 140 students - 19-21	13,793.87
Payments- 150 students - 18-20	23,867.97
Payments- 204 students - 17-19	<u>13,595.54</u>
Total Scholarship Payments	<u>51,257.38</u>
Total Expenses	<u>57,056.46</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>(5,927.57)</u>
Net Income	<u><u>(5,927.57)</u></u>

Balance Sheet - As at March 31, 2020

ASSETS

Current Assets

Chequing/Savings

Bank of Ceylon

Chequing 727.67

Endowment Fund-BOC 8,016.88

Savings 15,731.41

Term Deposits Account 8,565.46

Total Bank of Ceylon 33,041.42

Envision Financial

Chequing 7,725.34

Equity Shares 78.79

Savings 7,190.52

Total Envision Financial 14,994.65

Total Chequing/Savings 48,036.07

Total Current Assets 48,036.07

Other Assets

Endowment Fund-Kegalle 21,609.79

Total Other Assets 21,609.79

TOTAL ASSETS 69,645.86

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable 865.00

Total Accounts Payable 865.00

Total Current Liabilities 865.00

Total Liabilities 865.00

Equity

Exchange Rate Difference (1,663.21)

Opening Bal Equity 18,642.14

Previous Year Adjustment Account (534.74)

Unrestricted Net Assets 58,264.24

Net Income	<u>(5,927.57)</u>
Total Equity	<u>68,780.86</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>69,645.86</u></u>

Special Donations

The following special donations have been made during 2020. Some of these have been used in meeting specific expenses of the foundation while the remaining has been used to offset other overheads. Any remaining amounts have been pooled to provide additional scholarships.

We thank the following donor for their special donation:

- Mr. Gayan Abeyesundara, Coquitlam, BC – \$70 for website domain and hosting.

If you are willing to make a special donation for a specific purpose, please contact our Treasurer by e-mail at info@slcsf.org or phone at (604) 507 3272.

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Sponsorship Form

Sri Lanka – Canada Scholarship Foundation

Name (Ven./Rev./Mr./Mrs./Miss./Ms./Dr.):

Mailing Address:

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E-mail: Phone (home):

Number of students you wish to sponsor: Donation Amount: Can\$/SL Rs./Other:

Category of scholarship (Please circle): Memorial / Regular

For memorial scholarships: Please indicate in whose memory the scholarship(s) is/are to be awarded:

Name:

Relationship to Applicant:

For new sponsors (optional): How did you learn about SLCSF?:

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Date:

For sponsoring a scholarship, the donation amount is \$180.00 CAD per year for 2 years or, Canadian \$ equivalent in other currencies.

Please mail us a single cheque for \$360 CAD (per scholarship) for both years or, a cheque for \$180 CAD (per scholarship) for the 1st year, and a year later another cheque for \$180 CAD for the 2nd year.

Please make your cheques payable to “SLCSF” or “Sri Lanka – Canada Scholarship Foundation”.

*Sponsorship donations can also be made through pre-authorized monthly bank deductions or, by credit cards using PayPal (secure transaction) at the SLCSF website: www.SLCSF.org . **Note:** Donations by cheque or pre-authorized monthly bank deductions are preferred, as PayPal deducts a service fee for credit card transactions.*

Even if you are already a sponsor, please complete the above form and mail it (or, e-mail the information to: info@SLCSF.org) to one of the following addresses. This will help us in keeping our records up to date and sending you future newsletters in a timely manner.

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