

# **Union Ready Grant Criteria**

The Union Ready Grant is designed to support students and young adults entering trade schools or registered apprenticeship programs. This grant aligns with Financial Plus Credit Union's commitment to empowering members pursuing skilled trades careers.

### **GRANT AWARDS**

Five (5) Union Ready Grants will be awarded. Each grant is valued at \$1,000.00.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- Applicant must be a primary member in good standing with Financial Plus Credit Union.
  - o No charge-off accounts, delinquent loans, or negative balances on any accounts.
- Must be enrolled or accepted into a trade school or registered apprenticeship program.
  - o Adult learners and non-traditional students are welcome to apply.

### **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

- Application must be returned to Financial Plus Credit Union by.... March 15, 2026.
- All sections of the application form must be **COMPLETED**.
- Applicant MUST submit proof of enrollment or acceptance into a trade program.
- A short personal statement explaining career goals and how the grant will help is required.
- Application must be typed or neatly printed in blue or black ink.

### **SELECTION PROCESS**

Applications will be reviewed by the Grant Committee to verify eligibility and completeness. Winners will be selected based on alignment with grant goals and strength of personal statement. Notification of winners will be held in **April 2026**. Letters of regret will also be sent out at that time.

## **PAYMENT**

Grant recipients must present proof of enrollment. Each grant will be payable NO LATER than July 30, 2026. Recipients will receive a certificate and may be recognized publicly through FPCU's newsletter, website, or local media.

#### **CANCELLATION**

Failure to maintain enrollment status, including dropping out or termination from the program, will result in cancellation of the grant.

Directors and employees of Financial Plus Credit Union and their immediate family members residing in the same household are not eligible to apply.