

Local Youth Receive a Total of \$15,000 in New Bursaries SB Partners Steps Forward During Time of Tremendous Need

Burlington, ON, September 29, 2020 – Burlington Foundation is pleased to announce \$15,000 in new post-secondary bursaries to Burlington students thanks to the generosity of local accounting firm and fundholder, SB Partners. Gifted in response to the heightened challenges facing graduating high school students this year due to the pandemic, SB Partners' bursaries demonstrate the firm's commitment to going above and beyond to support students at a very critical time of their life – and at a time of extraordinary, worldwide change.

SB Partners' belief in giving back to the community in which they live and work is longstanding. Establishing the SB Partners Scholarship fund in 2007 at Burlington Foundation, the Burlington business is proud to support high school graduates across the city who are going on to post-secondary studies in finance and accounting. Through their endowed fund managed by Burlington Foundation, the firm continues to make an ongoing impact, opening doors for growing numbers of local youth who might not otherwise have the opportunity.

"SB Partners believes in community and it is the cornerstone of our culture and passion to care for and strengthen the fabric of our community," says John Chisholm, Partner and CEO of Burlington's SB Partners. "We felt a responsibility to respond to the financial challenges facing local students as they commence their post-secondary career during a global pandemic. Our partnership with Burlington Foundation and Halton Learning Foundation was the best vehicle to make an impact on the future of these students' academic aspirations!"

The special gift announced today provides five Burlington students with bursaries of \$3,000 each – new bursaries given in addition to annual granting already provided by SB Partners through their endowment fund. Burlington Foundation and SB Partners welcomed a partnership with Halton Learning Foundation in the selection of students who met the fund's criteria.

"The pandemic has brought our youth into uncharted waters, with many students and their families experiencing the destabilizing effects of job loss and the uncertainty of changing school parameters," says Burlington Foundation President and CEO, Colleen Mulholland. "We're proud to work together with SB Partners to support their passion of building up community through student scholarships and bursaries – helping to address both high-priority needs for our youth today, at this deeply challenging time, and for many years to come."

To learn more about SB Partners commitment to community please visit <https://sbpartners.ca>.



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About Burlington Foundation

Burlington Foundation is a registered charity with over 20 years of experience helping people accomplish their charitable goals and address our city's most pressing needs. We are dedicated to having a significant impact in Burlington by building legacy endowment funds, providing vital charitable grants, and bringing people together to address important community issues.

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