Financial Assistance for Apprentices

**Alberta Student Aid Grants and Loans**
Available for full-time students attending approved technical training programs for compulsory and designated trades. More information is available at Alberta Student Aid.
https://studentaid.alberta.ca/before-you-apply/loans-for-apprentices/

**Scholarships**
The Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Board provides more than 900 scholarships to apprentices and occupational trainees every year. The complete lists of Scholarships Donors is available here.
https://tradesecrets.alberta.ca/financial-assistance/scholarships/scholarship-donors/

**Pre-apprentice Scholarships**
Eleven $1,000 scholarships are available annually to encourage students completing pre-apprenticeship training to continue in the trades and complete their programs. More information is available here.
https://tradesecrets.alberta.ca/financial-assistance/scholarships/pre-apprentice-scholarships/

**High School Apprenticeship Scholarships**
Valued at $1,000 or $2,000, these scholarships recognize the accomplishments of high school students participating in the Registered Apprenticeship Program and/or Career and Technology Studies apprenticeship pathways. More information is available here.
https://tradesecrets.alberta.ca/financial-assistance/scholarships/high-school-apprenticeship-scholarships/

**Apprentice & Occupational Trainee Scholarships**
There are more than 370 $1,000 scholarships that recognize the excellence of Alberta apprentices in a trade and trainees in a designated occupation, and encourage recipients to complete their apprenticeship or occupational training programs. More information is available here.
https://tradesecrets.alberta.ca/financial-assistance/scholarships/apprentice-scholarships/

**Apprentice Training Award**
A $1,500 financial award is available for registered apprentices who are “Unemployed in the Trade” and attending second, third or fourth period technical training at an Alberta-approved technical training provider. More information is available here.
https://tradesecrets.alberta.ca/financial-assistance/awards/apprentice-training-award/

**Employment Insurance**
During periods of technical training, apprentices are able to claim Employment Insurance (EI). To be considered eligible, apprentices are recommended to apply online through Service Canada as soon as they stop working. More information is available here.

**Canadian Apprentice Loan**
Up to $4,000 is available in interest-free loans per period of technical training through the Government of Canada for apprentices in the designated Red Seal trades. More information is available here.

**Federal Apprenticeship Grants**
**Canada Apprenticeship Incentive Grant**
Taxable cash grant of $1,000 (lifetime maximum of $2,000 per person) for apprentices who successfully complete either the first and/or second year of technical training in a designated Red Seal trade.

**Apprenticeship Incentive Grant for Women**
Taxable cash grant of $3,000 per year (up to a maximum amount of $6,000) for apprentices who successfully complete their first and/or second year of a Red Seal trade apprenticeship program.

**Canada Apprenticeship Completion Grant**
Taxable cash grant of $2,000 for registered apprentices in designated Red Seal trades who have become certified journeypersons. More information on these federal grants is available here.

**Canada Tradesperson’s Tool Deduction**
Canada Revenue offers a tax benefit for apprentices to deduct the costs of eligible tools bought to earn employment income as a skilled tradesperson. More information is available here.

For more information, call the Apprenticeship and Industry Training Information Line
1-800-248-4823

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