**Bart and Hilda Family Fund – Application for Emergency Funding**

*“To help family members at their time of urgent need”*

The Bart and Hilda Family Fund was established by Mary Ann and Wayne Fulcher in honour of Wayne's parents, Bart and Hilda (Bewick) Fulcher. Bart and Hilda understood life’s difficulties and believed in helping people when they could.

This Fund is here to help a family member meet a *financial emergency* and assist that person in his/her journey to a more sustainable solution. It is meant to provide hope – a bridge of compassionate assistance when other sources of help/funding are not available. It is committed to helping in a timely manner.

Above all, this fund represents family helping family for generations to come. Emergency financial assistance can be up to $10,000. The fund is now managed jointly by a Family Council; refer to our website for further details including a list of Family Council members: [Apply for Funding (bartandhildafamilyfund.ca)](https://bartandhildafamilyfund.ca/apply-for-funding)

To assist the Family Council in its role as “guardian” of Bart and Hilda Family Fund Trust, as a first step the person seeking funding from the Fund Trust should complete the Application Questionnaire. Complete information is important and will impact on the decision regarding the application. Remember, all information you provide will be kept in the strictest confidence by all Family Council members.

The completed Questionnaire should be sent to one or more members of the Family Council. Family Council will then review and assess your application quickly and without judgement. Family Council is also available to answer questions you may have at any time.

*Note: If your application is approved for funding, a member of the Family Council will follow up with you approximately 2 weeks after the funds are received, to determine if the amount provided was successful to accomplish the intended purpose. Also, you may be asked to provide your Social Insurance Number (SIN) for trust tax reporting purposes. It is your decision whether or not to provide your SIN for this purpose; you are not obligated to provide your SIN, and your decision on this will have no bearing on your application or funding decision.*

1. Please describe your situation including why it is now an “emergency” and how funding from the Bart and Hilda Family Fund Trust will help you in this situation.
2. What have you done to try and address the situation before submitting this application? What other resources have you sought assistance from? (other close family members? financial lending institutions such as banks, credit unions, various Government Assistance programs, etc? ).
3. How much are you requesting (maximum $10,000.00) and would your situation be best served through a one-time payment or spread out over time (e.g. monthly contributions)?
4. How did you determine/calculate this amount? *(Please provide any documentation that supports this amount)*
5. Do you have a plan for next steps after these funds are used to address the immediate need, to ensure another emergency financial situation does not arise?
6. Would you be willing to reimburse some or all of the funds in the future, if you are able?
7. Please provide a family reference so we can verify your relationship with the Fulcher or Bewick families.
8. *(Optional)* Please use the space below to provide any further information that may be relevant to your application for emergency funds and that the Family Council may find helpful when discussing your application.