

Desmond Tutu Study & Care Fund Guidelines

The winner of the International Children’s Peace Prize (“Prize Winner”) can seek support for their education and care. The support extended by KidsRights is categorised in two components – the study component (a scholarship) and the care component.

Study component: The Prize Winner can seek scholarship from KidsRights, on an annual basis. This scholarship aims to provide an opportunity to the Prize Winner to receive pursue their education to prepare for a successful future.

Care component: The care component of the fund is made available to support the Prize Winner and their family.

Whether the Prize Winner is eligible to apply for the Study and Care Fund depends on the income of the parents/guardians, to be determined by the Board of KidsRights annually.

STUDY FUND

The study fund (scholarship) supports the following levels of education:

- Primary and secondary education
- Tertiary education
- Tertiary education (extended)

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF STUDY FUND

Primary, secondary and tertiary education

1. The winner may be supported with a maximum of
 - Primary and secondary education: €1.000 per year.
 - Tertiary education: €6.000 per year, for a maximum of 4 years. The period of 4 years will not start anew if the winner decides to pursue a different field of study.
2. This support comprises of one or more of the following scholarship elements – School/university tuition fees, accommodation expenses, travel expenses, purchase of books, laptops and other essential items for their educational activities. It may also include additional educational needs such as private tutoring, and English lessons.
3. Study costs are not paid retroactively. The awarding of the scholarship will happen from the moment of winning the prize.
4. The terms and the amount of the scholarship are determined annually by KidsRights. There are no long-term contracts.

5. Prior to each academic year, an agreement is drawn up between KidsRights and the Prize Winner. This includes:
 - Budget for the academic year,
 - Payment plan and schedule for the academic year,
 - Agreement of the winner, parents/guardians and/or the supporting organization, and KidsRights.
6. The school/university fees are paid directly to the educational institution, whenever possible. Other parts of the scholarship are eligible to be transferred to the parents/guardians or to the Prize Winner directly.
7. After each payment, a proof of payment should be sent to KidsRights by, either the prize winner, parents/guardians or the supporting organization.
8. KidsRights encourages applications to other funders for additional scholarships. Parents/guardians are also encouraged to contribute to the study costs of the Prize Winner.
9. On the basis that an academic year starts in September, the Prize Winner is required to provide KidsRights with a Study and Care Fund request application no later than **July 15th** of the said year. *Upon failing to submit an application before the deadline, the winner forfeits their scholarship for the respective academic year.*

Tertiary education – Extended scholarship

1. The Prize Winner may apply for an additional two-year extension of the KidsRights scholarship up until Honors/Master (MA) level in case the winner has shown excellent academic potential and commitment. The decision to grant this scholarship is at the sole discretion of KidsRights.
2. An assessment will be made by KidsRights taking the following into consideration:
 - Previous academic results of the Prize Winner;
 - The efforts of the winner and parents/guardian to being financially self-supportive.
 - Timely submission of all proof of payments of expenditures of funds received from KidsRights in all the previous academic years;
 - Commitment to remain actively engaged with The *State of Youth* and KidsRights Foundation for at least the duration of the scholarship.
3. The terms and amount of the scholarship are determined annually by KidsRights. There are no long-term contracts. Budget approvals for the new year at KidsRights typically take place in November - December.
4. Through the extended scholarship, the winner can be supported with a maximum of € 4.000 per year. The support includes one or more of the following scholarship elements: school fees,

independent living and travel expenses.

Group winner

When the Prize Winner consists of a group of individuals, the total amount of the support towards the study fund of the whole group is a maximum of €15,000 per year. When the total sum of the applications exceeds the maximum amount, the €15,000 will be equally divided among all winners, pro rata of the study phase. KidsRights defines a group as more than 3 people.

MONITORING AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

1. The educational progress of the Prize winner will be monitored by KidsRights. KidsRights will be in contact with the Prize Winner throughout the year to discuss progress at school or university.
2. At the end of each academic year, school results should be presented to KidsRights as a reporting requirement for the funds granted for the respective academic year.
3. An application for the study funds for the subsequent academic year shall not be considered by KidsRights unless the reporting requirements are timely met.
4. The responsibility to report to KidsRights lies with the Prize Winner, parents/guardians or the supporting organisation of the Prize Winner.
5. If the Prize Winner does not advance to the next academic year, there will be an evaluation between KidsRights and the Prize Winner and/or parents/guardians to identify the problems and to work together on possible solutions.
6. If the Prize Winner is assessed to have not been actively committed to their studies in a particular academic year, KidsRights reserves the right to discontinue and terminate the grant of scholarship for the subsequent academic years.

CARE FUND

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CARE FUND

The care component includes **one of** the following, as determined by KidsRights in consultation with the Prize winner:

- Income-generating project, or
- Education costs of siblings, or
- Health costs of the Prize Winner

If KidsRights provides a family with an Income Generating Project, the Prize Winner shall not be eligible to apply for educational costs of siblings or health costs, and vice versa.

Income-generating Project

Income-generating project is for the benefit of the entire direct family.

1. A one-off start-up costs up to a maximum of €4.000.
2. For approval, there should be a clearly substantiated proposal submitted to KidsRights and if possible, in cooperation with a supporting organization. This proposal must include a clear budget.
3. The approval of the proposal remains at the discretion of KidsRights.
4. The income-generating project should be carried out by the family itself.
5. An annual report of the project must be submitted to KidsRights for a minimum period of 3 years.

Educational Support for the Siblings of the Prize Winner

1. KidsRights offers possible support towards the education of the siblings of the Prize Winner to avoid imbalance within the family.
2. Support by KidsRights to the siblings of winner is conditional on the Prize Winner still being eligible to apply for the Study and Care Funds.
3. KidsRights offers support to the siblings up until they complete their secondary education, this is conditional upon clause 2 of Educational Support for siblings of the Prize Winner.
4. The support only covers school fees, inclusive of exam fees, lunch money, uniforms, books, and stationery.
5. Brothers and sisters are treated equally by KidsRights. All brothers and sisters in a family will receive the financial support to go to school.
6. The maximum annual support for the education of siblings is €500 each, subject to a maximum of €1.500. If there are more than 3 siblings, the €1.500 shall be allocated for the entire group of siblings and divided equally among them.
7. Payment of school fees will be made by KidsRights directly to the educational institute, where applicable.
8. Every proof of payment of the previous academic year and an overview of costs of the next academic year should be submitted to KidsRights to apply for Care Fund for the subsequent academic year.
9. KidsRights monitors the progress of the siblings who are being supported by the Care Fund. Report cards of the academic year shall be submitted to KidsRights as a condition to be eligible

to apply for care funds in the subsequent academic year. This reporting responsibility lies with the Prize Winner and/or parents/guardians.

Health costs of the winner

1. The Prize Winner may apply for the cover of their basic health insurance cost, subject to a maximum of €1.000 per year.
2. The Prize Winner may apply for this support every year until they complete their tertiary education.
3. The Prize Winner will not be eligible for this support if they are not enrolled as a full-time student at a school or a university in the respective year.

Group winner

When the Prize Winner consists of a group of individuals, the total amount of the support towards the care fund of the whole group is a maximum of €5,000 per year. When the total sum of the applications for care funds exceeds the maximum amount, the €5,000 will be divided among the applicants, pro rata of the family income. KidsRights defines a group as more than 3 people.