

## Supporting NLC Communities

The NLC Foundation has many awards available that positively impact the communities NLC campuses call home! Recently, the Meat Doctor was the recipient of \$1,700 in special grant funding and \$1,900 from the CJDC Radio & Television Community Project Award (totaling \$3,600) to go towards the Meat Doctor's Frozen Meals program.

*"Thank you for seeing the value of this initiative and helping us give people the ingredients to make a good life and healthy community."*

-Marsha Stewart, The Meat Doctor



### FROZEN MEALS

MICROWAVEABLE HOMESTYLE MEALS

**COST: BY DONATION**

*"Good food is the main ingredient of good living"*

The cost of frozen meals is by donation (or free to those in need).

All donations will be used to make more frozen meals and continue this initiative.



Frozen Meals will be available on Saturdays from 2:30-3:00 at 5202 49th Ave in Pouce Coupe (the old Library)

To reserve meals or arrange delivery call: (250)467-9111

THIS PROGRAM IS MADE POSSIBLE BY GRANTS AND DONATIONS FROM:



## Donor Highlight:

# George Dawson Inn & Conference Centre

The George Dawson Inn & Conference Centre is a junior Hospitality Company that manages and operates the hotel located a stone's throw from NLC's main campus! Giuseppe Laudisio (George Dawson Inn & Conference Centre) says the newly created George Dawson Inn Business Award was created with the hope that the bursary will contribute to the educational success and graduation of the recipient! Eligible to students in the Business Management or Applied Business Technology programs are able to apply for the tuition credit, valued up to \$5,000! The Northern Lights College Foundation is very excited to announce this amazing opportunity for students applying in the upcoming April-June award cycle!



Q: What reason(s) did you choose NLC Foundation for your donation?

A: *"We wanted to be involved with the community of Dawson Creek."*

Q: Do you have any words/advice for students?

A: *"Study hard, graduate and remember to give back to the community some day."*

# Astra's Debut Award Cycle



The NLC Foundation launched our virtual award application platform - [Astra](#) in December 2022. The virtual platform introduced revolutionary convenience and streamlining processes for both students and NLC staff!

Astra automatically matches applicants to all awards fitting eligibility. Previously, our students had to read through and decipher which of the Foundation's 200+ awards they were (at the time of investigating) eligible to apply for. Students then completed paper applications for each and every award they intended to apply for. Following the award deadline, NLC's Financial Aid and NLC Foundation teams collaborated to adjudicate and award students each award cycle, reading through every paper application - a lengthily process delaying deserving students from life changing financial support!

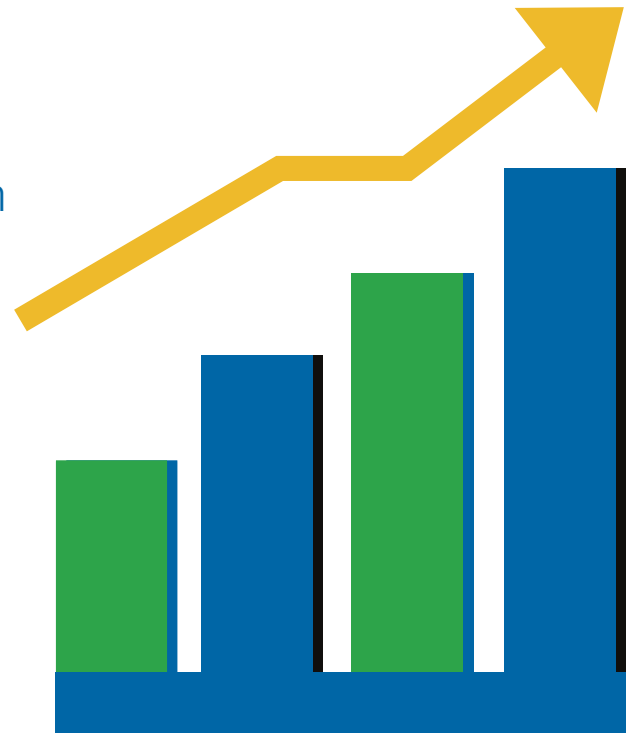
The NLC Foundation has just completed the first award cycle since the launch of Astra, and are proud to share that we have seen a **27% increase in applications for this award cycle** compared to the previous year! November 25-January 25 is the Foundation's largest award cycle annually, and we are very satisfied with the success of the platform's introductory cycle.

# November 25, 2022 - January 25, 2023

## Astra Statistics

This award cycle:

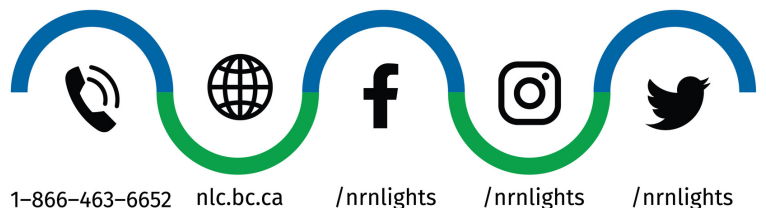
- **\$ 107,407.67** was awarded to NLC students
- **118 NLC students** were supported
- **248 applicants** applied for awards with Astra



The NLC Foundation continues to participate in New Student Orientation events (both in person and virtually), presenting an in depth tutorial on how to apply for awards using Astra! To keep current students engaged and using Astra, we are promoting the platform virtually and through several avenues of student communications like D2L, social media, and more!

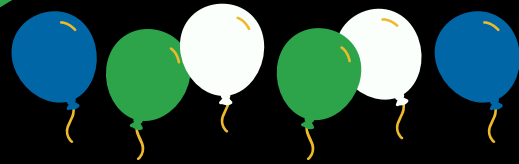
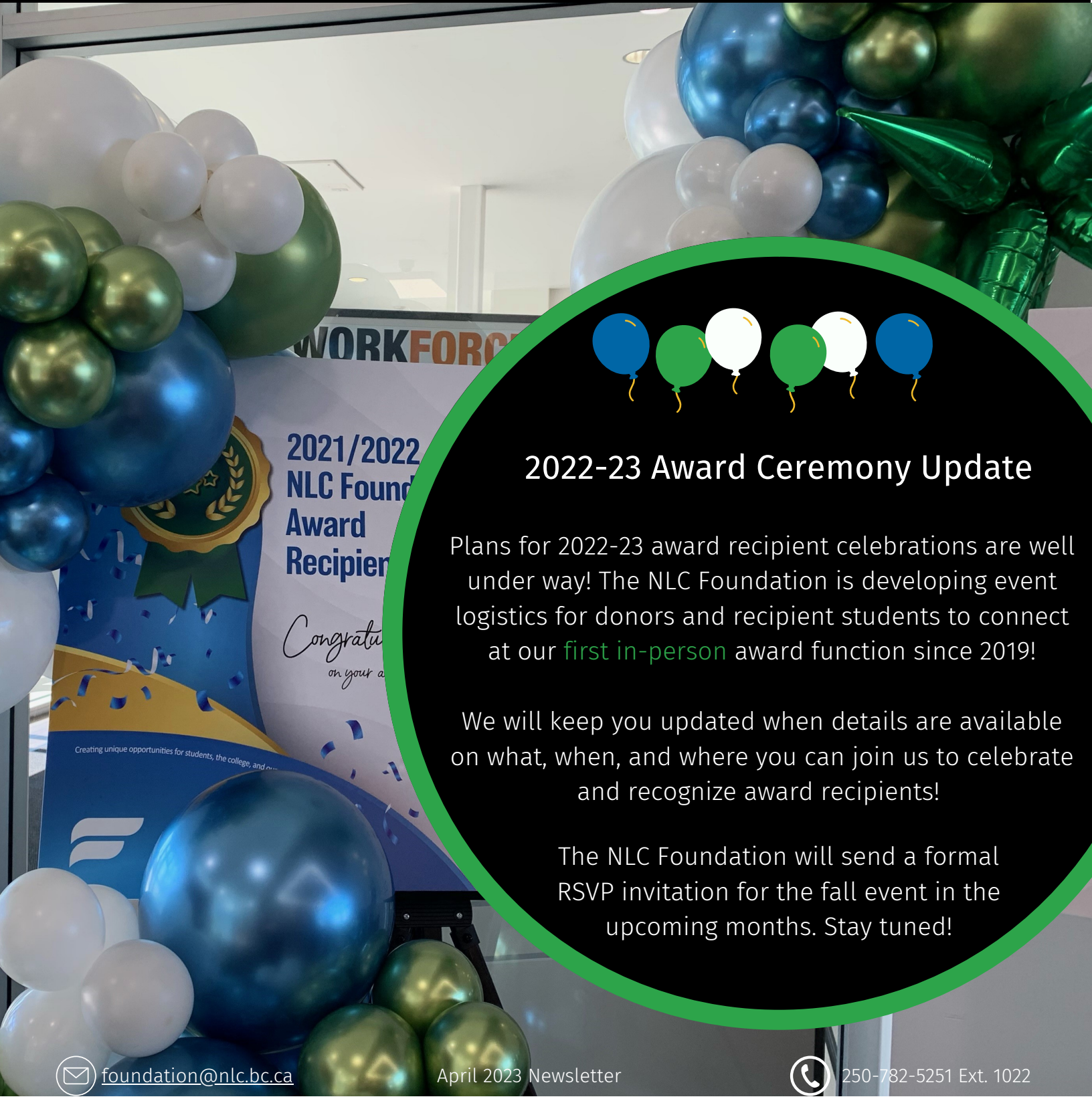


Do you follow NLC on social media? Check out **Foundation Fact Friday** posts to find out all about the NLC Foundation in bite sized tidbits!



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# Celebrate!



## 2022-23 Award Ceremony Update

Plans for 2022-23 award recipient celebrations are well under way! The NLC Foundation is developing event logistics for donors and recipient students to connect at our **first in-person** award function since 2019!

We will keep you updated when details are available on what, when, and where you can join us to celebrate and recognize award recipients!

The NLC Foundation will send a formal RSVP invitation for the fall event in the upcoming months. Stay tuned!