



Scholarship Opportunities

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Local Scholarships for Military Dependents

Fort Leavenworth Spouses' Club (FLSC) Scholarship

- Merit-based scholarship for members and dependents of the Fort Leavenworth Spouses' Club. The applicant or applicant's parent/guardian must be a member in good standing of the FLSC by 31 December.
- Applications are available beginning in January, with a completion deadline in March.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.fortleavenworthspousesclub.org/community-assistance/scholarships/>

Michaels Organization Educational Foundation Scholarship

- All high school seniors living in sites managed by Michaels or its affiliates are eligible.
- Scholarship applications are available at all offices of The Michaels Organization and online.
- For more information, visit: www.michaelsscholars.com

John W. Poillon Memorial Scholarship

- This scholarship, exclusive to Fort Leavenworth, is in memoriam of John Williams Poillon, the son of a Marine Lieutenant Colonel assigned to the Marine Corps element at the Command and General Staff College. Poillon's son was killed in an automobile accident on the Centennial Bridge to Leavenworth in 1965.
- The application, typically due 30 March, can be found at the Army Education Center.
- For more information, call the Education Center at 913-684-2496.

Scholarships for Military Children

- The Defense Commissary Agency and Fisher House Foundation, Inc. have created the Scholarships for Military Children Program. This program awards at least one \$2,000 scholarship at every commissary location where qualified applications are received.
- Unmarried dependent children under the age 23 of active duty personnel, reserve/guard, and retired military members may apply.
- Applications are available beginning mid-December, with an application deadline of mid-February.
- For more information, visit: <https://fisherhouse.org/programs/scholarship-programs/scholarships-for-military-children/>

CGSC Foundation Scholarship Program

- A Competitive Scholarship Program that awards two \$500 cash scholarships to high school seniors beginning their college studies in the next fall and two \$500 cash scholarships for undergraduate college students in the first three years of their studies (freshman to junior) returning to school.
- Immediate family and grandchildren of Life Members of the Foundation's Alumni Association are eligible to apply.
- Applications may be submitted from 1 January to 1 March.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.cgscfoundation.org/alumni/scholarships/>

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Scholarships for Service

- Scholarships for Service is a free scholarship database for students of families with a military service background. Scholarships listed are tailored for active, guard and reserve military, Veterans, retired personnel and their families.
- For more information, visit: <http://search.militaryscholar.org/>

Army Engineer Spouses' Club Scholarship

- Army Engineer Memorial Award is available to qualifying high school seniors planning to continue education at an accredited college, university, technical, or vocational school in all fields of study.
- Geraldine K. Morris Award is available to a graduating high school senior intending to enroll in a program leading to a nursing degree or certification.
- Applications must be post marked in February.
- For more information, visit: www.armyengineerspouses.com

College Scholarships for Daughters of Army Officers

- The Daughters of Cincinnati is a non-profit organization whose members are women descended from the officers who served in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War. These officers were the founding members of the Society of the Cincinnati, an association dedicated to perpetuating friendships, offering mutual aid, and providing assistance to the widows and orphans of comrades.
- Scholarship recipients must be high school seniors who are daughters of career commissioned officers in the armed services. Application deadline is typically 15 March.
- For more information, visit: <https://daughters1894.org/scholarships/>

Voice of Democracy Scholarships

- Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) awards scholarships annually to students who write and record an essay on a patriotic topic. Entries are submitted through the local VFW by 31 October each year.
- For assistance, contact the VFW Post 56 Scholarship Committee at 913-775-2662.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education>

Airborne Scholarship Association (ASA) Merit Based Scholarship

- The mission of the Airborne Scholarship Association is to provide merit based undergraduate school scholarships to the Dependent Family Members of Veterans, Active Duty and Department of the Army Civilians from Units within the XVIII Airborne Corps.
- To be eligible, the student's sponsor must have served in one of these XVIIIth Airborne Corps units since 11 September 2001. If the unit is not under the XVIIIth Airborne Corps now, it must have been at the time the Active Duty service member served.
- Application acceptance period is typically January through 1 April.
- For more information, visit: <http://www.airbornescholarshipassociation.org/>

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Scholarships for Military Dependents, Continued

82nd Airborne Division Association Education Fund Scholarship

- Available to dependent children of Veterans and Active Duty Association LIFE members in good standing. Applicant must intend to pursue a baccalaureate degree and must gain at least 12 credit hours per semester toward that degree.
- Application deadline is 15 October.
- For more information, visit: <http://www.82ndairborneassociation.org/education-fund.html>

Women's Army Corps Veterans' Association Scholarship

- Established to recognize relative of Army Service Women. This \$1,500 scholarship is based upon academic achievement and leadership as expressed through co-curricular activities and community involvement.
- Applicants must be graduating high school seniors with a cumulative 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.
- Application deadline is 2 February and requires three letters of recommendation.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.armywomen.org/>

Society of Daughters of United States Army Scholarship Program

- Applicant must be the daughter, granddaughter, stepdaughter, or adopted daughter of a career warrant or commissioned officer of US Army who is currently on active duty, retired from active duty after at least 20 years of service, was medically retired before 20 years of active duty service, or died while on active duty.
- Maximum award amount is \$1,500. Award may be used for any full time undergraduate study at an accredited post-secondary institution.
- Completed applications are due 31 March.
- For more information, visit: <https://armydaughters.org/scholarships>

The George C. Morton Scholarship

- Special Operations Association Scholarship Grants are awarded by the SOA and must be used at an accredited Junior College, Community College, Four-year College or University for studies that will lead to a college degree OR for Technical Schools lasting at least one school year and for which a distinct qualification or certification is granted.
- Applicants must be a high school graduate (or high school student anticipating graduation during the year of application), under the age of 21 years at the time of application, and a child or grandchild or great grandchild, natural birth or legally adopted, of an individual who served in a Special Operations unit and is a member in good standing of SOA.
- Each Grant is a one year award for \$2,000 per semester, not to exceed \$4,000.
- Application deadline is 15 April.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.specialoperations.org/soa/scholarship-fund/>

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Scholarships for Military Dependents, Continued

Army ROTC Scholarships

- Whether you are a college-bound high school student or already attending a college or university, Army ROTC has scholarships available. Scholarships are awarded based on a student's merit and grades, not financial need.
- For more information, visit: <http://www.goarmy.com/rotc/high-school-students.html>

Special Forces Association (SFA) Scholarship Fund

- SFA Scholarship Fund was established and designed to provide one-time scholarship grants to members, dependents, and grandchildren of SFA members in good standing.
- Applicant must be accepted by or already attending an accredited college, university, or vocational institution. Application opens 1 February and closes 15 March.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.sfscholarshipfund.org/>

AMVETS Scholarship

- AMVETS Scholarship (4 scholarships from \$1,000 to \$4,000 awarded) is specific to children/grandchildren of Veterans, Active Duty, and Guard/Reserves who are currently High School Seniors.
- A JROTC Scholarship (\$1,000), a Spouse Scholarship (\$4,000), and a Veteran/Active Duty/Guard/Reserve Scholarship (\$4,000-\$12,000) are also available.
- Applications are typically accepted from January to 30 April.
- For more information, visit: <https://amvets.org/scholarships/>

ThanksUSA Scholarship Program

- ThanksUSA is a non-partisan, non-profit organization dedicated to providing post-secondary educational opportunities through need-based competitive scholarships to the children and spouses of active-duty US military personnel.
- Applications are typically accepted between 1 March and 15 April.
- For more information, visit: www.ThanksUSA.org

Army Aviation Association of America (AAAA) Scholarship

- The AAAS Scholarship Foundation, Inc. was established to render financial assistance for the college-level education of members of the Army Aviation Association of America, Inc. Applicants may also be spouses, unmarried siblings, children and grandchildren of current and deceased AAAA members.
- Scholarships are merit-based and range from \$1,000-\$12,000.
- Pre-qualifying form is due by 15 December. Applications are accepted from 1 September to 15 December.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.quad-a.org/scholarship>

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Scholarships for Military Dependents, Continued

Daughters of the American Revolution

- Multiple scholarships are awarded to students showing dedication to the pursuit of higher education in diverse areas of study including history, economics, law, political science, medicine, nursing, occupational and physical therapy, elementary and secondary education, chemistry, math, science and English.
- Scholarship applications are accepted from 1 November through 31 January.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships>

MG James Ursano Scholarship Program for Children

- Need-based scholarship program established to assist children of Army Soldiers obtaining their first undergraduate degree. Applicants must be unmarried dependents, under the age of 24, of a Soldier on federal active duty, a retired Soldier, or deceased retired soldier.
- Students must reapply each year. Award amounts vary yearly.
- Applications are typically accepted from 1 January through 1 April.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.armyemergencyrelief.org/scholarships/child>

Mrs. Patty Shinseki Spouse Scholarship Program

- A need-based scholarship established to assist Spouses of Soldiers in obtaining an undergraduate degree or professional certificate.
- Applications are accepted year round and awarded based on an a yearly application cycle.
- To request more information, applicants can call 866-878-6378 or email scholarships@aerhq.org.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.armyemergencyrelief.org/scholarships/spouse>

Army Women's Foundation Legacy Scholarship Program

- Provides scholarships to women soldiers, past and present, and their lineal descendants to help them attain their educational goals. The Legacy Scholarship Program offers financial support in four areas: Certificate Programs, Community College Coursework, Undergraduate Degrees, and Graduate Degrees.
- Application deadline is 21 January.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.awfdn.org/scholarships/general-information/>

Army Scholarship Foundation

- Awards one-year scholarships on an annual basis to qualified and deserving students. Applicants must be the child or spouses of a regular active duty, active duty Reserve, or active duty National Guard US Army member in good standing OR a child of a former US Army member who received an honorable discharge, medical discharge, or who were killed while serving in the US Army.
- Applications may be submitted 15 January to 15 April.
- For more information, visit: <https://armyscholarshipfoundation.org/scholarships/>

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American Legion/American Legion Auxiliary Scholarships

- The American Legion has multiple scholarships, to include the Samsung American Legion Scholarship and Legacy Scholarship.
- For more eligibility and information, visit: <https://www.legion.org/scholarships>
- The American Legion Auxiliary awards multiple scholarships, to include the Spirit of Youth Scholarship and the Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship.
- For more eligibility and information, visit: <https://www.alaforveterans.org/scholarships>

Kathern F. Gruber Scholarship and Thomas H. Miller Scholarship

- Spouses, dependent children, and grandchildren of blinded veterans are eligible for scholarships awarded on the basis of merit.
- Application deadline is typically mid-April.
- For more information, visit: <https://bva.org/programs/scholarships-awards/>

US Army Warrant Officers Association Scholarship

- Applicants for scholarships are accepted from the children and dependent stepchildren (under the age 23 years) of members in good standing in the USAWOA (a member for a minimum of six months). Spouses of members in good standing are also eligible.
- Applications must be received between 15 January and 15 June.
- For more information, visit: <https://scholar.usawoa.org>

Gilman-McCain Scholarship

- The Gilman-McCain Scholarship for the Children of Military Families is a congressionally funded initiative that provides awards of \$5,000 for undergraduate child and spousal dependents of active duty service members to study or intern abroad on credit bearing programs.
- Student must be a citizen of the United States, an undergraduate in good standing at an accredited U.S. institution of higher education, dependent child of an active duty military member, and a recipient of any type of Title IV federal financial aid.
- For more information, application deadlines, and eligibility requirements, visit: <https://www.gilmanscholarship.org/program/gilman-mccain-scholarships/>

The Retired Enlisted Association Scholarship

- Applicant must be the child or grandchild of a member in good standing (deceased or otherwise) of TREA or TREA National Auxiliary. Adults are not eligible.
- Applications are available 1 January.
- For more information, visit: <https://trea.org/TREA/Membership/Scholarship/TREA/Scholarships.aspx?hkey=1f06fbbb-4a8f-465e-a52d-9604013c0b37>

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Scholarships for Wounded or Fallen Warriors Families

Kansas Hero's Scholarship

- Open to residents of Kansas who are the dependent children or spouse of certain deceased/disabled public service officers and military personnel to attend an eligible Kansas postsecondary educational institution without payment of tuition and required fees. Student will be responsible for other charges associated with the student's academic program and living costs.
- Kansas Board of Regents: 785-430-4255/4256
- For more information, visit: https://www.kansasregents.org/scholarships_and_grants

Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program (DEA)

- Offers education and training opportunities to eligible dependents of Veterans who are permanently and totally disabled due to a service-related condition or of Veterans who died while on active duty or as a result of a service-related condition.
- https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/survivor_dependent_assistance.asp
- For more information about transferring post 9/11 GI Bill benefits: https://www.benefits.va.gov/GIBILL/post911_transfer.asp

Fry Scholarship

- The Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship is for children and dependents of Veterans. If your parent or spouse was an active-duty service member who died in the line of duty on or after September 11, 2001, you may qualify for this benefit.
- Potential benefits include costs for tuition, housing and books/supplies.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.va.gov/education/survivor-dependent-benefits/fry-scholarship/>

American Legion Legacy Scholarship

- The American Legion wants to ensure higher education is a possibility for children whose parents have been killed while serving our country. The Legion offers its support through the Legacy Scholarship Fund. Applications open 1 January, with a deadline in early April.
- For more information, visit: www.legion.org/scholarships/legacy

Folded Flag Foundation Scholarship

- Provides eligible children with scholarship and educational grants to cover costs of tuition and fees, books, etc.
- Applicant must be the spouse or child, under the age of 26, of a member of the US Military or employee of the US Government who died as a result of combat related operations.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.foldedflagfoundation.org/how-to-apply>

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Heroes' Legacy Scholarship

- The "Heroes' Legacy Scholarships" program honors not only those who have fallen in battle, but also who have died or have become disabled through their active military service since September 11, 2001. The program is open to their dependent, unmarried children under age 23.
- Applicants must be enrolled, or planning to enroll, in a full-time undergraduate program of study leading to a bachelor's degree at an accredited US college or university. An essay is also required.
- Application opens mid-December, with a due date typically in mid-February.
- For more information, visit: <https://militaryscholar.org/legacy/index.html>

Folds of Honor Scholarship

- The Folds of Honor High Education Scholarship program was established to provide post-secondary scholarship assistance for spouses and dependents of our nation's service members.
- Scholarship applications are accepted from 1 February through 31 March.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.foldsofhonor.org/scholarships/>

Hope for the Warriors Scholarships

- The Spouse/Caregiver Scholarship Program aids in continued education at accredited US colleges, universities, or trade schools. An essay is required.
- Spring scholarship applications are accepted from 1 August through 30 September.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.hopeforthewarriors.org/transition/military-spouse-scholarships/>

Military Order of the Purple Heart

- The MOPH Scholarship Program is a competitive scholarship program that awards approximately eighty (80) scholarships to Purple Heart recipients and their spouses, children, and grandchildren each year. An essay is required.
- In addition, one of the recipients of the Purple Heart Scholarship is also selected to receive the Navy SEAL LT Michael P. Murphy Memorial Award. LT Michael P. Murphy was killed in action in 2005 in Afghanistan and was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for his heroic actions. This scholarship is awarded in his memory and funded by the Lieutenant Michael P. Murphy Memorial Scholarship Foundation of Riverhead, New York.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.purpleheart.org/ScholarshipProgram>

Fallen Patriots Foundation

- Scholarships are available for children who have lost a parent in the line or military duty, during combat or peacetime in all military branches and components. Grants are awarded each month.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.fallenpatriots.org/>

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Grants and Emergency Relief

Our Military Kids

- Grants are available through Our Military Kids for Guard and Reserve of all Service Branches as well as Wounded Warrior's dependents. These grants are given with the goal to ease stress by paying for participation in sports, fine arts, and tutoring programs.
- Information and applications are available at: <http://ourmilitarykids.org/apply>

Home School and Remote Education Assistance Program

- Assistance may be in the form of a grant, zero interest loan, or a combination.
- Covers traditional full time homeschool and remote education due to COVID for PK-12.
- For more information: www.armyemergencyrelief.org/news/grants-for-childcare-and-remote-education-assistance/ or contact your local AER office.

Scholarships for Other Branches of Service

Dolphin Scholarship Foundation

- Dolphin Scholarship Foundation offers scholarships on a competitive basis, to high school or college children/stepchildren (unmarried, under age 24 at time of deadline) and spouses of: (1) members or former members of the Submarine Force who have qualified in submarines and have served in the Submarine Force for at least eight years; (2) Navy members who have served in submarine support activities (e.g., submarine bases, tenders, and rescue vessels) for a minimum of ten years.
- Scholarship applications are accepted from 1 October to 15 March.
- Application details can be found at: www.dolphinscholarship.org/how-to-apply/

Fleet Reserve Association (FRA)

- The FRA National Committee on Americanism-Patriotism sponsors an annual Americanism Essay Contest, based on a theme announced each Spring. The contest includes a Grand National Prize of a \$1,500, with \$1,000, \$750, and \$500 awarded to the first, second, and third place winners in each grade category. All regional winners are judged at the national level and receive a certificate of recognition. Other prizes are awarded at the local and regional levels.
- FRA's Essay Contest is open to all students grades 7 through 12 (including those who are home schooled). Deadline is 1 December.
- The Fleet Reserve Association's (FRA) Educational Foundation sponsors a scholarship program that helps deserving students meet their educational and professional goals.
- Applications available from 1 September through 15 April.
- For eligibility and applications, visit: www.fra.org

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Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation

- Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation provides college scholarships to dependent children and spouses of US Navy service members in Naval Aviation - Officer and Enlisted, active duty, retired, honorably discharged or deceased. Recipients are selected on the basis of scholastic merit, community service, and extra-curricular activities.
- More than 40 scholarships are awarded yearly ranging from \$1,500-10,000.
- Pre-qualification application deadline is 1 February. Applications are due 1 March.
- For more information, visit: www.wingsoveramerica.us

Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation

- The Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation is offering scholarships to children of active duty US Marines and children of former/deceased Marines.
- Applications are accepted from 1 January to 1 March.
- For eligibility and applications, visit: www.mcsf.org/

General Henry H. Arnold Education Grant Program

- The Air Force Aid Society sponsors the General Henry H. Arnold Education Grant Program, which provides education grants to dependents of Air Force or Space Force service members. The program is open to children of active duty, retired or deceased Air Force members. Applicants must have a minimum 2.0 GPA. Financial need is a strong consideration in determining who receives the awards.
- Application deadline is typically 30 April.
- For more information, visit: www.afas.org/education-grants

Chief Petty Officer Scholarship Fund

- Applicants must, in the year of submission, be an immediate family member of either an active duty, retired, reserve, or deceased Chief Petty Officer of the US Navy and graduating or have graduated from an accredited high school, or equivalent educational institution or have successfully earned a General Equivalency Diploma (GED). Applicants must intend to enter or be currently enrolled in a community college, vocational college, college or university pursuing an AA, AS, BA or BS degree.
- Application available 1 January. Submission deadline is 1 April.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.cposf.org/scholarship>

CWO John A. Keller, Chief Warrant and Warrant Officers Association Scholarship Grant

- The Keller Scholarship is established to financially assist dependent children of members in good standing or who were members in good standing of the CWOA, US Coast Guard at the time of their death.
- Application deadline is typically 2 February.
- For more information, visit: <http://cwoauscg.org/scholarships.html/>

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General Scholarships

KC Scholars

- KC Scholars serves a six-county area of the Kansas City region: Wyandotte and Johnson Counties in Kansas and Cass, Clay, Jackson, and Platte in Missouri. The program is designed to serve low and modest income high school students who are in public, charter, private, and home schools; and adults with some college, but no degree.
- High school 11th graders can apply for up to \$10,000/year for up to five years. Annually, 250 awards are made.
- Application are typically open from 1 January to 26 February.
- For more information, visit: www.KCScholars.org

Coca-Cola Scholars Program

- The Coca-Cola Scholars Program scholarship is an achievement-based scholarship awarded to graduating high school seniors. Students are recognized for their capacity to lead and serve, as well as their commitment to making a significant impact on their schools and communities.
- Applicants must be a current high school (or home-schooled) student attending a school in the US (or select DoD schools) that will receive their high school diploma during the current academic year and plans to pursue a degree at an accredited US post-secondary institution.
- Application will open 1 August. Application deadline is 31 October.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/apply/>

Bill and Melinda Gates Scholarship

- The Gates Scholarship is for the student who is ready to pursue a full-time four year degree program at an accredited US institution. The scholarship will cover the cost of attendance which is not already covered by other financial aid and the expected family contribution, as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Application opens 15 July. Deadline for completion is 15 September.
- For eligibility requirements: <https://thegatesscholarship.org/scholarship>

AFCEA Educational Foundation and Chapter Scholarships

- The AFCEA Educational Foundation provides incentives, opportunities, and assistance to people engaged in the science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) disciplines. Our programs focus on information technology, cybersecurity, telecommunications and electronics supporting the defense, homeland security, and intelligence communities.
- Applications are typically accepted from January to 30 April.
- Scholarships and eligibility information: <https://www.afcea.org/site/foundation/scholarships>

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Helpful Information

Senior Year Stabilization Policy (Updated July 19, 2022)

- Allows soldiers with high school juniors and seniors to request stabilization from PCS movement during the child's junior or senior year. This is a soldier initiated action.
- Soldier should initiate a DA form 4187 requesting stabilization through their unit commander to their servicing PSB/MPD. This must be applied for between March of the Freshman year and the start of the Sophomore year.
- This is a request, not a guarantee. The needs of the Army will dictate.
- <https://www.hrc.army.mil/content/High%20School%20Senior%20Stabilization%20Program>

Military.com Scholarship Finder

- Type 'Scholarships' into their search engine to locate the Scholarship Finder.
- www.military.com/education

Department of Defense: Education and Scholarships

- A list of over 20 organizations with resources for educational and scholarship opportunities for Service members and their families.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.defense.gov/Resources/educationscholarships/>

Tutor.com/military

- FREE 24/7 support for eligible military-connected students in over 100 subjects, including ACT/SAT/PSAT test prep and essay review.
- <https://military.tutor.com/home>

U.S. Department of Education - Student Aid/FAFSA

- Tips to prepare for college, FAFSA guidance/deadlines, and additional resources.
- www.studentaid.gov/resources

College Board, Big Future

- Getting started, finding colleges, exploring careers, helpful tools, etc.
- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college>

Find Scholarships, Tours, and Helpful Information

- www.myfuture.com/
- www.myoptions.org/
- www.fastweb.com
- www.scholarships.com

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