

The 2026 Vets Helping Vets \$2,500 Scholarship Application

Criteria

1. Applicant must be an honorably discharged veteran, a Gold Star Family Member, or the child, grandchild, or great grandchild of an honorably discharged veteran.
2. Applicant must be a resident of Salem, Marblehead, Swampscott, Danvers, Beverly or Peabody, Massachusetts.
3. Applicant may be a high school senior, high school graduate, GED recipient, or currently enrolled college student.
4. Scholarships are awarded for 1 year and eligible applicants may reapply annually.

Applicant Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Cell: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Citizen Status – US citizen yes ___ No ___

Military Affiliation of Veteran Sponsor

1. Veteran's full name and relationship _____
2. Proof of veteran's service: **Attach** a copy of DD214, discharge or reenlistment certificate, or active-duty orders to verify your eligibility.

Academic Information

1. **Attach** a copy of your latest high school or college transcript.
2. **Attach** a copy of your acceptance letter to an accredited 2- or 4-year college or university, vocational or trade school.
3. List school(s) you have applied to or are attending: _____
Anticipated start date: _____
4. Intended college major or career training: _____

Activities and Leadership – If necessary, expand on these experiences in your essay.

1. Community service, work, or intern experience:

Essay: Attach on a separate page. Length: 250 to 500 words. Your Essay may include, but not limited to:

1. A brief autobiographical statement.
2. Why you selected your career and college.
3. Your future career plans and goals.

Supplemental Material

1. Attach one letter of recommendation from a teacher, guidance counselor, or employer.

Signed _____ Date _____

If under 18, parent or guardian signature is required.

Signed _____ Date _____

Print Name _____

Application deadline is August 1, 2026. Please submit full application package to:

Vets Helping Vets Scholarship, PO Box 2014, Salem, Ma 01970

Or Scan and email to: post1524@vfwma.org