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Detective Gregory A. Wilson Scholarship

In 2023, Detective Greg Wilson of the Franklin Township Police Department suddenly passed away at the age of 47. He was young, vibrant, an exemplary employee and dedicated to his profession as a first responder.

Greg graduated from Watchung Hills Regional High School in 1995 and went on to study criminal justice at The College of NJ (formerly Trenton State College). During high school, he was actively involved in the local Police Explorers program and became certified as a Firefighter and Emergency Medical Technician. He sought training in extrication, water rescue and more. Greg volunteered countless hours on local rescue squads and fire departments throughout high school, college and beyond. He went on to pursue a career in law enforcement where he served as a patrolman, member of the ESU (Emergency Services Unit), and Detective within the Investigative Bureau of the Franklin Township Police Department. He resided in Flemington with his wife and three daughters for over twenty years where he volunteered with emergency service agencies in Raritan Township and Readington.

In honor of his legacy, the Wilson family will award three graduating seniors, one from each school, \$1000 to help accomplish their career goals.

All candidates must meet the following criteria:

1. A high school senior scheduled to graduate from high school in Spring 2026.
2. Enrolled at Franklin High School, Hunterdon Central Regional High School, or Watchung Hills Regional High School.
3. Be in good standing with their community.
4. Actively volunteering with local emergency service units (Rescue Squad, Fire Department) and/or actively involved with a Police Explorers program.
5. Accepted as a candidate to an accredited college or professional school for 2026-2027 school year.
6. Minimum GPA 2.5.

All candidates must complete the following:

1. Application form.
2. Submit a personal statement between 500-750 words (typed, double spaced) detailing how volunteering in emergency services has impacted your career goals.
3. High school transcript from current school.
4. At least one (1) letter of reference from a high school teacher, administrator, coach or counselor.
5. At least one (1) letter of reference from volunteer organization(s) (rescue squad, fire department, police explorers) verifying volunteer hours and commitment to the agency.
6. Provide acceptance letter from an accredited college or professional school for the 2026-2027 school year.





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Detective Gregory A. Wilson Scholarship Application

Name _____

Address _____

City, State _____

Cell Phone _____

Email _____

School graduating from _____

Agencies involved in: _____

School attending in 2026-2027 _____

School's City and State _____

Signature _____

Date _____

In addition to this application, please include a typed, double-spaced personal statement detailing how volunteering in emergency services has impacted your career goals. The statement must be written by you, in your words. Do not use AI to write your statement.

The completed application and personal statement should be dropped off or mailed to Linda Snyder, Administrative Aide, Franklin Township Police Department, Detective Bureau, 495 Demott Lane, Somerset, New Jersey, 08873. The deadline to submit is Wednesday, April 1, 2026.

Any questions should be directed to Colleen Canavan, Administrative Aide, Franklin Township Police Department, Director's Office at 732.873.5533 x2031.

