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The NCVVI scholarship program was formed to grant scholarships for study at accredited institutions of learning in appreciation for the service and sacrifices of Vietnam Veterans to their country. The amount of a scholarship will range from \$1500 to \$2,500 and will be used to pay expenses for any year of undergraduate study at any college, junior college, community college, or trade school. The recipient must currently be a resident of North Carolina. This residency requirement is waived for the families of current NCVVI members residing in North Carolina. The recipient must be a Vietnam Veteran (defined as serving in the Vietnam Theater of operations) or the spouse or direct descendant of a Vietnam Veteran. The recipient can also be a student who demonstrates they have attended and satisfactorily completed the "Lessons of Vietnam" elective. The scholarship is awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age, or national origin. Applicants are not restricted from reapplying each year of their undergraduate study. No special consideration will be given to an applicant who has applied in previous years except that they will only be required to submit an essay and any additional changes to the civic and academic activities, honors, awards, offices and special recognition that the applicant may have received since their original submission and are to be considered. Their previous submissions for all other required documents will be counted.

A Scholarship Administrator, appointed by the NCVVI Board of Directors, shall receive all applications by Monday, May 2, 2025. All applications will be acknowledged and scholarship winners will be notified in May/June. The Scholarship Administrator will serve as a non-voting member of the Selection Committee. The Selection Committee will be appointed by the Scholarship Administrator. The Committee will primarily consist of active members of NCVVI or those appointed by the Administrator. They shall be responsible for the administrative oversight and awarding of all scholarships. They have the responsibility of reading and grading the submitted essays from the applicants. The Scholarship Administrator may select, if deemed necessary, a volunteer staff to assist in the processing and presentation of applications to the selection committee. All applications will be held in strict confidence and to ensure that all applications are selected on their merits, a confidential code will be assigned by the administrator to each application. There shall be at least ten members of the Selection Committee. An NCVVI member may not be a member of the Selection Committee if the member is an applicant or if a family member is an applicant.

The scholarship will be paid directly to the scholarship winner on a reimbursement basis on the presentation of current paid receipts to the Scholarship Administrator. Receipts can be for books, tuition, or student fees. A scholarship will be awarded for any year of study at any accredited school that awards an undergraduate degree, certificate of completion, or professional license. A scholarship shall not exceed the actual cost of school fees. Applicants do not have to be currently enrolled in school to apply. The Scholarship Committee may set aside scholarships to be awarded at the junior college or trade school level. These will be evaluated separately from those applications for four year programs.

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## **REQUIRED INFORMATION WITH APPLICATION. ALL INFORMATION MUST BE COMPLETE.**

1. Completed Application.
2. DD214\* showing award of Vietnam Service Medal (VSM) to prove status of Vietnam Veteran (copy only). If a DD214 is not available, other proof of service in Vietnam must be provided.
3. An essay on the following topic is required: "Lessons from the Vietnam War for Future Generations: Reflect on the key takeaways from the Vietnam War and how they can guide modern society in addressing conflicts or fostering peace."
4. The essay must be written by the applicant. It must be at least 600 words. The essay must be **typed, double spaced** and on bond paper. Do **NOT** put your name nor your father's/grandfather's name on the essay! Do not cut and paste information found on the Internet! We can tell so include your references. An electronic copy (MS Word or Open Office Writer) **must** be sent to [bkuhr@nc.rr.com](mailto:bkuhr@nc.rr.com).
5. Birth Certificate (copy only). If a stepchild, adoptive child, or grandchild relationship exists, the applicant must provide proof that shows the relationship to the Vietnam Veteran; e.g., **copies** only of marriage license, birth certificates, court documents showing adoption, etc.

## **DO NOT SEND GRADE TRANSCRIPTS OR LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION.**

## **DO NOT SEND ANY DOCUMENT THAT HAS YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY OR YOUR FATHER'S SSN.**

\*A DD214 is a Department of Defense form which gives a summary of the veteran's active duty service. This form can be obtained by contacting a regional Veteran's Administration office or the St. Louis record center.

**\*\*NOTE\*\*** Your Scholarship package must be **postmarked** by the last business day of Monday, May 2, 2025. Sending by registered mail or any other class of mail that requires a signature at our end will not get your submittal to us quicker; in fact, it may delay it if no one is home to sign for it.

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
MALE: \_\_\_\_\_ FEMALE: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIPCODE: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

VETERAN'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
VETERAN'S RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_  
PRESENT SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_  
INTENDED SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_  
ENROLLMENT DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

## INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMENTS:

- \* LIST OF CIVIC AND ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES, HONORS, AWARDS, OFFICES AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED IN OR RECEIVED IN THE PAST TWO YEARS.
- \* GIVE A PERSONAL STATEMENT ABOUT YOURSELF INDICATING PAST/PRESENT WORK EXPERIENCES, ANTICIPATED CAREER AFTER SCHOOL, GOALS AND ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT YOU DEEM IMPORTANT FOR THE SELECTION COMMITTEE TO KNOW ABOUT YOU.
- \* ESSAY (see page 2) \*\*\*\*\*DID YOU SEND an ELECTRONIC COPY of YOUR ESSAY to bkuhr@nc.rr.com?\*\*\*\*\*
- \* DD214 (see page 2)
- \* BIRTH CERTIFICATE(S) AND MARRIAGE LICENSE AS NEEDED (see page 2)

WHAT IS THE NAME, ADDRESS, AND FAX# OF YOUR LOCAL  
NEWSPAPER? \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing statements are complete and correct.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If I am awarded an NCVVI Scholarship, you have my permission to release award information and/or a photo for publication.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_