

Northern Panhandle Veterans Council Scholarship
2025
\$750 Scholarship (nonrenewable)

All information must be typed, and all questions must be answered. The information contained in this application shall be kept confidential by the Council. The award will be paid directly to the awardee at the fundraiser. Please provide proof of high school graduation to the organization once received. Submit three copies of the application to:

NPVC
ATTN: Jeremy Harrison
44 16th Street
Wheeling, WV 26003

Direct Questions to:
helpingheroes@comcast.net
304-232-0114

The deadline for application is May 1st, 2025

Criterion:

- The student must be a high school senior and attending a high school located in the Northern Panhandle of West Virginia.
- The student must be a legal dependent of an active duty/reserve service member or veteran, or have a grandparent who is/was a veteran.
- The student must plan to attend full time, a trade school, community college, college, or university immediately following high school graduation. Exception for those who join the military in a reserve capacity and go to training after graduation and then go enroll, full time, in one of the aforementioned things.

Application Packet (must be complete to be considered):

- Application
- Copy of SAT/ACT score
- Copy of most recent report card
- 1 Recommendation from high school Guidance Counselor
- 1 Recommendation from a high school teacher
- 1 Recommendation from another individual
- Proof of guardian's service via DD214 or Active/Reserve Military ID (please redact social security number)

Note: Financial need is assumed by your completing the application. Do not include information about financial status, nationality, ethnicity, religion, etc.

Helping Heroes scholarship was developed as a onetime, nonrenewable scholarship for the legal dependent of an active duty/reserve service member or veteran. Students must be a high school senior and attending a high school located in the Northern Panhandle of West Virginia. The student must plan to attend full time: a trade school, community college, college or university immediately following high school graduation.

Applications are available via high school guidance counselors and on our website.

Award Notification

Awardee will be notified by phone by May 10th and is requested to attend the Helping Heroes' May fundraising event, at the Wheeling Park skate rink on May 9th. The event begins at 5:30 and the award presentation will take place shortly after dinner. The award will be paid directly to the awardee at the fundraiser.

Selection Process

A committee of 3 members from the NPVC will review the applications and select the finalists. Selection is subjective. (An odd number is required to prevent a tie) Each committee member reads every application. Each committee member will grade them from one to five (five being the highest) in the following categories on ranking spreadsheet:

Category	Applicant 1	Applicant 2	Applicant 3
Completeness of Application- (must have 7/7 to be considered)			
Ranking of overall GPA based off of most recent report card			
Ranking of SAT/ACT score			
Ranking of quality of recommendations			
Ranking of quality of extracurricular activities			
Ranking of quality essay answer			

Upon completion these rankings are transferred to a master sheet which presents them as a weighted average. The weighted average by category is as follows:

Academics: 20%

Extracurricular Activities: 30%

Essay: 30%
Recommendations: 20

Application

Name:
Address:
Telephone:
Email:
Social Media Usernames:
High School name:
Parent(s) name(s):
Name of parent who is active duty or a veteran:

Name of school that you plan to attend post high school:

When were you accepted?

Major:

Why did you choose this major?

Awards (List awards you have received):

Academics:

Clubs:

Athletics:

Community service:

Work:

Community Activities:

Academics:

SAT

ACT

overall GPA

Class Rank

Choose one of the following writing prompts to write a 200-word essay. Provide citations for any reference information.

1. What does Patriotism mean? What specifically does it mean to you?
2. Do you feel that the fast pace of society today has contributed to a loss of patriotism? Why or why not?
3. Pros and Cons of Implementing Compulsory Military Service in the US.