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Announcement & Launch of the USSVCF Academic Year 2023-2024 Scholarship Program
Application Process and Procedure.

Purpose and Background:

The United States Submarine Veterans Inc. (USSVI) and the USSV Charitable Foundation have for more than Seventy Years led as the model of an exceptionally successful effort to recognize the Submarine Veterans of World War I, World War II, the Unending Cold War and the Global War on Terrorism. During these many years scores of totally dedicated volunteers, all submarine veterans and members of USSVI, have focused their efforts on submarine veteran charitable programs which have been instrumental in the recognition of the men, the crews and ships of great honor as well as the charitable contributions in the names of children undergoing severe disease and dependents who wish only to achieve great things through advanced education.

This year is exceptional, in that we are expanding this longstanding scholarship program to add Vocational training, Trade Schools and Apprenticeships for Submarine Veterans as well as their children and grandchildren. Recently discharged Submarine Veterans may enhance their opportunities in the civilian ranks by attending a wide variety of vocational schools, trade schools or enroll in an apprenticeship program which can lead to a lifelong career.

As part of this universal effort the USSVI & the USSVCF Scholarship Committee will continue to make every effort to obtain additional philanthropic donations for the advancement of the generational offspring of the Members of United States Veterans Inc. with the sole purpose of assisting the dependents of our everyday Submarine Heroes, both Active Duty and Retired.

The Scholarship Program's efforts to obtain philanthropic grants, endowments and donations from across the Submarine Community and the Military Industrial Corporations continue.

USSVI believes, and is founded on, the principles of Honor, Duty, Service and Sacrifice to our Nation, and it is for the very significant effort of our membership that the USSVCF will strive to grow and award increasingly higher value scholarships to more qualified applicants.

USSVCF Application Process

This next program academic year, from August 2023 to August 2024, will represent both modernization, change and growth of our charitable efforts through our Web-based scholarship application and award program and a significant growth in donations from organizations and individual membership efforts to support an enduring and unending advanced education scholarship program.

In conjunction with the Web-based Program USSVCF will coordinate closely with each certified institute of higher education, and all awarded scholarship funds will be deposited in the Scholarship Awardee's Account at that Institution with instructions that all awarded funds will be applied directly to the Tuition, Room and Board and associated costs administered through the Bursar or equivalent administrative office within that Institution. In the event that the Awardee does not attend his or her registered institution the unused funds will be returned to the USSVCF Treasury.

Application Initiation Process

The 2023-2024 Scholarship Program and Application Procedure and associated processes will be "launched" and the application website will open for applications on or about 31 October 2022. USSVI Members in good standing may sponsor a child or grandchild (including legal custody of step-children) for application for the USSVCF Academic Scholarships. In addition, USSVI Members in good standing may apply for a Career Education scholarship for trade, technical / vocational and apprenticeship programs at accredited institutions.

NOTE

The application software program requires sponsored Student Scholar Applicants to register with their personal email address and associated information. Automated verification will then require each applicant to verify their email address. Once that verification is complete the student scholar may initiate their individual application.

The website address and link are posted below for ease of registration and application.

Completed applications will be reviewed, evaluated and scored by the USSVCF Academic Scholarship Committee. Upon completion of all evaluations and scoring the USSVCF Committee will select awards based on a competitive based program focused on academic performance, financial need, letters of recommendation and completion of an essay. Each applicant must show proof of enrollment or acceptance at an institution of higher academic or technical pursuit.

Automated emails to each applicant will assist in guiding the applicant and informing each applicant when they have achieved application completion. Awards and non-awards will be announced by personal letter via email to each applicant. It is expected that the USSVCF Academic Scholarship announcements will be provided on or before 15 July 2023.

As an additional asset the USSVCF Scholarship Applicant will also have the ability to apply to the Dolphin Scholarships and associated awards assuming they meet those qualification standards and complete competitive applications. By teaming with the Dolphin Scholarship Program, USSVCF applicants will be able to submit additional scholarship applications using the Dolphin Scholarship Program co-located on the Application Website.

Application Registration

Grandchildren, Children, Legal dependents of Sponsors who are “Members in Good Standing” of USSVI or their direct families may register and initiate a Scholarship Application Process. Also, USSVI Members in good standing may apply for a Career Education scholarship for trade, technical / vocational and apprenticeship programs at accredited institutions.

Please select this website or copy and paste into your website browser to initiate application for a USSVCF Academic Scholarship: **(Only the Student Scholar may register with his or her personal email - The system will respond with an email verification to the registered applicant, use of a separate email address will result in an unqualified application which will not be considered)**

<http://subforcescholarships.smapply.io>

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