

What are the Criteria?

Factors to be considered in selection process include potential benefit, financial need, academic record, submission of educational transcripts, statement of purpose and references. The committee will use the "whole person" methodology to make the scholarship awards. *Veterans applying for a scholarship will be given precedence over other applicants.*

If I have Questions?

Contact the committee co-chairpersons, Phil Hublitz or Bob Rothenberger 610.924.5481; or contact the Corporate Office at 484-788-0196.

Our Vision

For serving military, veterans and their families to find the Lehigh Valley to be the most supportive community in the United States.



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About LVMAC

Organized in 2003 as an organization of organizations (an association), the Lehigh Valley Military Affairs Council is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization operating in the Lehigh Valley.

We offer a forum and a focal point for veterans and civic organizations, businesses and governments to support our Lehigh Valley military-veteran community. We teach others to help in meaningful ways; advocate on issues of importance to our local military-veteran community; and organize or support programs centering on local military units when deployed, the families of service members, the transition of returning veterans, and the recovery of veterans requiring additional help.

An all-volunteer organization, LVMAC meets on the third Wednesday of the month from noon-1:30 p.m. at Saucon Valley Manor, Hellertown. Anyone interested in helping is welcome to attend - no military affiliation is required. Lunch is provided to attendees at no cost.

LVMAC has no membership dues. The only membership requirement is that its member organizations support and work toward LVMAC's goals.

LVMAC seeks donations to fund its various programs, to include this scholarship program.

For current information on LVMAC and membership events and activities, go to our blogsite,

www.lvmac.wordpress.com

For more general information on LVMAC and what it does, go to our website,

www.lvmac.org

LVMAC is a 501(c) (3) non-profit PA corporation. Contributions are tax-deductible as allowed by law. The official registration and financial information of the Lehigh Valley Military Affairs Council may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll-free, within Pennsylvania, 1-800-732-0999.

Scholarship Program

For Lehigh Valley Military Veterans, Their Children and High School Seniors joining ROTC in College*



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Military Affairs
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Who is eligible?

The definition of a Veteran for this program:

- 1) entered on active duty (excluding active duty for training) since 16 October 1981,
- 2) served in one of the armed forces of the United States (to include the Coast Guard during a period of war),
- 3) served the full period of active duty obligation unless separated for medical injury connected to military service,
- 4) and was honorably separated or discharged (meaning an honorable or general discharge under honorable conditions was received).

Target Audience:

- Veterans of working age seeking meaningful first-time civilian employment
- Veterans of working age seeking meaningful reemployment due to job loss
- Children of these veterans
- Children and un-remarried spouses of service members killed in action
- * Graduating high school seniors who are not dependents of a veteran and are joining an ROTC detachment upon entering college or university and intend to serve an active duty commitment; and Advanced ROTC cadets.

Additional Criteria:

- In general, preference will be given to those households whose income is \$75,000 or less except that for single veterans applying, preference is given to those whose annual income is \$30,000 or less.

- No Board member of LVMAC or Scholarship Committee member or a dependent of one will be eligible for the program.

How do I apply?

An application form and instructions are available through local military units, through other military support organizations, the committee co-chairperson, Phil Hublitz at philhublitz@rcn.com , 610.924.5481 or the Corporate Office at 484-788-0196.

When can I apply?

Applications are due on May 15 of each year. Applications received after the due date will only be considered if additional funds become available or if the LVMAC scholarship budget has not been exceeded.

What must be included?

The application requires personal information, military service information, educational records, long-term educational and personal goals, details of the proposed educational program or details of expenditures to be made, the cost of the courses, and how the program will benefit the applicant's personal development.

The application must also include a letter of acceptance from the institution in which the individual is enrolling, if applicable. Please include one letter of recommendation from an individual who can speak to applicant's potential, performance, educational goals and needs.

The scholarship selection committee may also choose to interview the applicant.

Where do I send it?

Mail your application to:
Lehigh Valley Military Affairs Council
Scholarship Selection Committee
P.O. Box 22522
Lehigh Valley, PA 18002-2522

What does it pay for?

Monies can be used for tuition (at a VA approved training site), books and fees, and selected ancillary expenses like child-care and transportation.

How is the money paid?

Normally the funds will be given to the educational institution the awardee designates. However, at the discretion of the committee, funds may be provided directly to the student; in which case, proofs and explanations of expenses will be required.

How much can I get?

Scholarship awards will be based on merit and need. The maximum amount to be given to an individual is \$1000 in a year; no more than two consecutive awards will be given. Validation of satisfactory completion of course work will be required and subsequent awards will not be made without such proof. The annual scholarship budget varies and is dependent on private contributions and grants.

How will I be notified?

The committee will advise applicants of its decision in writing within 60 days after its final meeting.