**West Michigan Veterans Coalition**

**2019 Armed Forces Scholarship**

**Scholarship Description**

The West Michigan Veterans Coalition Armed Forces Scholarship is available to Active Duty, National Guard, Reserves, Retired and honorable Discharged Service Members who are currently attending either a College, University or Trade School. The scholarship can be used to support school expenses such as books, tuition, transportation, housing, etc.

**Eligibility**

- Must be a resident of or home of record is: Allegan, Barry, Ionia, Lake, Kent, Mason, Mecosta, Montcalm, Muskegon Nwaygo, Oceana, Osceola, or Ottawa County.
- Must be currently serving, retired or honorably discharged Service Member of the United States Military including those that have served in the National Guard or Reserves.
- Must be currently attending a trade school for certification or seeking a degree from a higher education institute.
  - Associate’s Degree
  - Bachelor’s Degree
  - Graduate Degree
  - Credential Certification for Skilled Trades
- Currently enrolled students must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 (or higher) on a 4.0 scale or be able to show hours toward certification of a skilled trade.

**Required Documents**

- Completed copy of the application
- Sanitized documentation of Military Service (DD214, NGB 22, Letter of Discharge, or current orders)
- Authorized copy of his/her most current transcript with accumulative grade average
- Two (2) letters of recommendation (excluding family members) must be signed and dated (within one year of the date of application) by the writers
- 500 – 750 word essay describing why you joined the military and the impact it has had on your life.

**Applicants can submit their application March 1, 2019 - May 31, 2019 to:** West Michigan Veterans Coalition: C/O Deb Unseld, PO Box 355, Hudsonville, MI 49426 or email - info@westmichiganveterans.com or go to [https://podio.com/webforms/22387540/1575880](https://podio.com/webforms/22387540/1575880). The applications will then be reviewed and twenty five (25) - $1000.00 scholarships will be awarded based on eligibility requirements and application criteria.
Applicant’s Full Legal Name: First, Middle, Last Name

Home of Record: Click or tap here to enter address, No, Street, City, State, Zip

Telephone: Click or tap here to number

Email: Click or tap here to enter email

Name of the School Attending: Click or tap here to enter text.

Address of School: Click or tap here to enter address

GPA or hours toward Skilled Trade Certification: Click or tap here to enter text.

Level of Education Seeking:

- Graduate
- Bachelors
- Associates
- Certification for Skilled Trade

Current Area of Study: Click or tap here to enter text.

Professional Reference 1: Click or tap here to enter text.

Telephone: Click or tap here to enter numbers. Email: Click or tap here to enter text.

Professional Reference 2: Click or tap here to enter text.

Telephone: Click or tap here to enter text. Email: Click or tap here to enter text.