**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS**

**ARTHUR H. MUCHOW CHAPTER NO. 1**

**RAYMOND G. HAMMER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**Introduction**

The goal of the scholarship program is to assist in providing educational and training opportunities for Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Arthur H. Muchow Chapter No.1 members and their family.

**General Information**

The scholarship must be used for higher education: college or vocational/trade schools. Awardees may receive funds for a maximum of two years. Funds will be paid directly to scholarship awardee. The scholarship amount will be a maximum of $1,000.00 per academic year, half to be paid each semester. Number of recipients will be limited to 30 per academic year. Should more than 30 completed applications be received, the applicants with the top 30 G.P.A.’s will be considered first for scholarship funds. Each sponsor may have no more than two awardees receiving scholarship funds at any time under their membership number.

Receipt of the scholarship does not guarantee future award of scholarship. Winners must reapply for scholarship each academic year and remain in good standing providing all eligibility documentation each semester and follow all other guidelines provided to maintain eligibility.

Awardees and sponsors are encouraged to provide community service related to Veterans or volunteer in DAV programs or services. Awardees can provide a written record of activities conducted, dates, times, and locations each semester to the Scholarship Committee, that can be recorded in the DAV Local Volunteer Assistance Program (LVAP).

Awardees must provide the Scholarship Committee a transcript of previous semester, documentation of service to Veterans, and proof of enrollment for upcoming semester to obtain funding for the 2nd semester of each academic year. Each academic year, awardees must complete the full application process. Awardees must maintain a cumulative academic year G.P.A of at least 2.5.

Awardees will be announced at the DAV Arthur H. Muchow Chapter Meeting and on the Chapter’s informational publication.

**Eligibility**

1. Be a member in good standing of the DAV Arthur H. Muchow Chapter No. 1 or be a spouse or child (which may be natural, adopted, or step) or grandchild (which may be natural, adopted, or step) of a member in good standing of the DAV Arthur H. Muchow Chapter No. 1
2. Be a senior in high school; GED recipient; or a student in an accredited college/university or vocational/trade school in the United States, taking studies leading to a degree, diploma, or certificate of completion.
3. Must be enrolled as a full-time student or accepted into a full-time program.
4. Special consideration will be given to applicants pursuing degrees in the medical or rehab fields.
5. Selection shall be made without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, or veteran status.
6. Award will be discontinued if all requirements are not met and maintained.

**Application**

1. Provide the membership number of DAV Arthur H. Muchow Chapter No. 1 member
2. An official transcript of high school and/or college
3. SAT or ACT scores if in high school
4. One letter of recommendation (must be from a high school teacher, principal, or counselor. If graduated more than one year ago, must be from current or former employer). Letter of recommendation cannot be from a relative (unless they are your current employer)
5. Essay - Minimum of 500 words telling the scholarship committee about your sponsor’s service to our country and what it means to you.
6. Applications must be received by June 1st each academic year.
7. Applications can be requested from the Chapter’s Headquarters, 1519 W 51st Street Sioux Falls, SD 57105, phone (605)332-6866 or email admin@davsd.org