



HELP A HERO

SCHOLARSHIP ★ PROGRAM

VFW's "Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship" Recipients 2025 Fall Semester

Recipient Name	Hometown	State	School Name	Military Branch
Kawanzera Cherry	Harvest	AL	New York University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Samantha Meinke	Clarkdale	AZ	American Military University	Air Force, Veteran
Benetta Salazar	San Carlos	AZ	Arizona Culinary Institute	Army, Veteran
Jeremy Lamb	Phoenix	AZ	Arizona State University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Dominick Kuczynski	Prescott	AZ	Arizona State University	Army, Veteran
Luis Barrera	Yuma	AZ	Capella University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Kareem Pore	Prescott Valley	AZ	Embry Riddle Aeronautical University	Air Force, Veteran
Karina English	Scottsdale	AZ	Escoffier School of Culinary Arts	Air Force, Veteran
Johnny Merrill	Tucson	AZ	Saybrook University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Austin Sowers	Scottsdale	AZ	The Bush School of Government & Public Service	Marine Corps, Veteran
Kimberley Christensen	Laveen	AZ	University of Arizona	Air Force, Veteran
Adrian Villegas	San Carlos	AZ	University of Arizona	Marine Corps, Veteran
Jarel Mitchell	Queen Creek	AZ	University of California - Irvine	Army, Veteran
Logan Hart	Vallejo	CA	Academy of Art University	Navy, Veteran
JaMallia Burks	Anaheim	CA	Arizona State University	Air Force, Veteran
Katherine Luce	Chico	CA	California State University Chico	Army, Veteran
Fatimah Harris	Irvine	CA	DeVry University - Keller Graduate School	Marine Corps, Veteran
Kira Vale	Sacramento	CA	East Tennessee State University	Navy, Veteran
Johan Balbuenamendez	San Diego	CA	Full Sail University	Navy, Veteran
Patrick Frelø	Whittier	CA	Gurnick Academy of Medical Arts	Army, Veteran
Mathew Devlugtsanders	Los Angeles	CA	Los Angeles Trade-Technical College	Navy, Veteran
Joseph Owuondo	San Diego	CA	National University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Natasha Minier-Robinson	San Diego	CA	National University	Navy, Veteran
Patricia Torres	Los Angeles	CA	Nightingale College	Navy, Veteran
Shakisha Haskins	San Diego	CA	Thomas Jefferson School of Law	Army, Veteran
Eric Rivera	Madera	CA	University of Massachusetts Global	Navy, Veteran
Octavio Novoa	Castroville	CA	University of Nevada - Las Vegas	Air Force, Veteran
Alexandra Griffin	San Diego	CA	University of San Diego	Navy, Veteran
Timothy King	Redondo Beach	CA	Western Governors University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Brittany Purnell	Colorado Springs	CO	Colorado Technical University	Air Force, Veteran
Vanessa Jackson	Colorado Springs	CO	Liberty University	Air Force, Veteran
Aaron Porter	Denver	CO	University of Colorado - Denver	Army, Veteran
Semone Burke	West Haven	CT	Liberty University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Marie Reid	Litchfield	CT	Pikes Peak State College	Air Force, Veteran
Brianna McFadden	Washington	DC	Howard University	Army, Veteran
Jamel Vera	Hialeah	FL	FIU Chapman Graduate School of Business	Navy, Veteran
Elaine Joachin	Deerfield Beach	FL	Florida Atlantic University	Navy, Veteran
Jaydie-Ann Cooper	Lauderhill	FL	Florida International University	Army, Veteran
Ursulua Ortiz	Chipley	FL	Liberty University	Air Force, Veteran
Emily Ramirez Arroyo	Miami	FL	New York University	Navy, Veteran
Anthony Ustariz	Miami	FL	Texas A&M University School of Law	Air Force, Veteran
Randy Brock	Davenport	FL	University of Alabama	Marine Corps, Veteran
Erik Barcelo	Naples	FL	University of Central Florida	Army, Veteran
Seann Windfield	Oakland	FL	University of Central Florida	Marine Corps, Veteran
Christian Maldonado	Orlando	FL	University of Central Florida	Air Force, Veteran
Autumn Reeves	Hawthorne	FL	University of Florida	Army, Veteran
Duane Hardy	Gainesville	FL	University of Florida	Army, Veteran
Mimoune Tahri	Kissimmee	FL	University of Maryland Global Campus	Army, Veteran
Stephen Rock	Fort Lauderdale	FL	University of Phoenix	Army, Veteran
David Edwards	Pensacola	FL	University of West Florida	Coast Guard, Veteran
Renata Anderson	Hialeah	FL	Western Governors University	Marine Corps, Veteran

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Sierra Christian	Colbert	GA	Augusta University	Army, Veteran
William Colson	Kathleen	GA	Augusta University	Air Force, Veteran
Joshua Herring	Augusta	GA	Augusta University	Army, Veteran
Anthony Diaz	Buford	GA	Lanier Technical College	Marine Corps, Veteran
Tkeya Weatherspoon	Perry	GA	Mercer University	Air Force, Veteran
Shaniece Cates	Stockbridge	GA	Mercer University	Army, Veteran
Ivonne Jones	Grovetown	GA	Nova Southeastern University	Air Force, Veteran
Erik Johnson	Atlanta	GA	Western Governors University	Air Force, Veteran
Courtney Lofton	Atlanta	GA	Western Governors University	Army, Veteran
Re'Jae Rooks	Chicago	IL	College of DuPage	Army, Veteran
Sonia Harts	Sterling	IL	National University	Army, Veteran
Lawrence Holmes	Belleville	IL	Southern Illinois University - Simmons Law School	Army, Veteran
Paul Phelps	Westfield	IN	Liberty University	Army, Veteran
Theodore Roseberry	Valparaiso	IN	Valparaiso University	Army, Veteran
Brittany Pugh	Bedford	IN	Western Governors University	Army, Veteran
Matthew Sampson	Vincennes	IN	Western Governors University	Army, Veteran
Honey Abrams	Louisville	KY	University of Louisville	Air Force, Veteran
Samuel George	Denham Springs	LA	Northwestern State University	Army, Veteran
Brian Conceicao	New Bedford	MA	Bridgewater State University	Navy, Veteran
Jared Hinkle	Easthampton	MA	Holyoke Community College	Army, Veteran
Kyron Charles	College Park	MD	New York University - Tandon School of Engineering	Navy, Veteran
Carson Beasley	Easton	MD	Western Governors University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Thomas Laaser	Windham	ME	Fairfield University	Army, Veteran
Amber Rodea	Midland	MI	Central Michigan University	Army, Veteran
Robert Reno	Whitehall	MI	Muskegon Community College	Marine Corps, Veteran
Chelsey Demick	Wyandotte	MI	Wayne State University	Navy, Veteran
Matt Alford	Grass Lake	MI	Wayne State University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Lee Skola	Duluth	MN	Lake Superior College	Marine Corps, Veteran
Tanisha Bryan	Powersite	MO	Liberty University	Navy, Veteran
Kaitlyn Mulvaney	Springfield	MO	Mission University	Air Force, Veteran
Patrick Wadleigh	Waynesville	MO	Saint Paul School of Theology	Army, Veteran
Catrina Kennedy	Saint Joseph	MO	Western Governors University	Army, Veteran
Myvia Jones	Smithdale	MS	University of Mississippi Medical Center	Army, Veteran
April Bishop	Petal	MS	William Carey University - College of Health Sciences	Army, Veteran
Bryce Kent	Missoula	MT	University of Montana - Skaggs School of Pharmacy	Army, Veteran
Melissa Roman	Apex	NC	Appalachian State University	Air Force, Veteran
Antiquette Dow	Angier	NC	Campbell University	Army, Veteran
LeAndra Oxendine	Wilmington	NC	Cape Fear Community College	Army, Veteran
Joseph McKenzie	Cullowhee	NC	Duke University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Gabriela Blankenship	Stedman	NC	Fayetteville State University	Coast Guard, Veteran
Amy Stockenberg	Shannon	NC	Liberty University	Air Force, Veteran
Tamara Gabbard	Southport	NC	University of Arizona	Army, Veteran
Michelle Hill	Burlington	NC	University of North Carolina at Greensboro	Navy, Veteran
Adam Calderon	Carlsbad	NM	Texas Tech University	Navy, Veteran
Bridgett Goebel	Incline Village	NV	Arizona State University	Navy, Veteran
Thomas Piacente	Las Vegas	NV	University of Nevada - Las Vegas	Navy, Veteran
Donavan Ross	Las Vegas	NV	University of Nevada - Las Vegas	Army, Veteran
Spencer Thatcher	Las Vegas	NV	University of Nevada - Las Vegas: Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine	Army, Veteran
Anthony Rivera	Las Vegas	NV	University of Nevada - Reno	Army, Veteran
Kalip Brown	Carson City	NV	Western Nevada College	Army, Veteran
Amanda Dorval	Ossining	NY	Institute of American Indian Arts	Air Force, Veteran
David Harris	New York	NY	LaGuardia Community College	Army, Veteran
Pedro Monge	Hamburg	NY	Southern New Hampshire University	Army, Veteran
Fernando Restrepo Alvarenga	Westbury	NY	Stony Brook University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Jeremy Gould	Fulton	NY	University of Phoenix	Army, Veteran
Raden Achmad Utomo	Columbus	OH	Ohio State University	Air Force, Veteran
Abbey Cohen	Columbus	OH	University of Cincinnati	Army, Veteran
Juan Garcia	Ardmore	OK	Diamonds College	Army, Veteran
Richard Loren Salzer	Shawnee	OK	Oklahoma State University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Blue Diven	Jones	OK	Western Governors University	Army, Veteran
Christian Medina	Seaside	OR	Pacific University	Navy, Veteran
Fernando Garcia-Martinez	Portland	OR	Portland State University	Army, Veteran
Stephen Anderson	Coos Bay	OR	Portland State University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Shane Tidrick	Beaverton	OR	Texas A&M	Navy, Veteran
Elliott Diaz	Turner	OR	UiT The Arctic University of Norway	Marine Corps, Veteran

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Joshua Mayro	North Versailles	PA	Indiana University of Pennsylvania	Army, Veteran
Zachery Campbell	Boiling Springs	PA	The Citadel - Military College of South Carolina	Marine Corps, Veteran
Kalya Earle	Laurens	SC	ECPI University	Army, Veteran
Shirley Franklin	Simpsonville	SC	ECPI University - Greenville, SC	Army, Veteran
Crystal Marks	Columbia	SC	Walden University	Army, Veteran
Jacob Hoffmeister	Brookings	SD	Lake Area Technical College	Army, Veteran
Thomas LaFave	Mission Hill	SD	University of South Dakota - Sanford School of Medicine	Air Force, Veteran
Chris Marfield	Shelbyville	TN	Liberty University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Philip Grimes	Fate	TX	Aviation Institute of Maintenance	Marine Corps, Veteran
Geminastiti Lake	Sherman	TX	Diamonds College	Army, Veteran
Sean Shetler	Round Rock	TX	Houston Christian University	Army, Veteran
Benjamin Sawyer	Georgetown	TX	Liberty University	Marine Corps, Veteran
Kevin Klein	San Antonio	TX	Northwest Vista College	Army, Veteran
Kourtney Nunez	San Antonio	TX	Oregon State University	Air Force, Veteran
Nacole Lee	Houston	TX	Rice University	Air Force, Veteran
Gary Hagan Jr	Pflugerville	TX	Southern New Hampshire	Army, Veteran
Christopher Wynslow	Cypress	TX	Texas A&M - Bush School of Government	Air Force, Veteran
Juan Bonilla	New Caney	TX	Texas A&M University	Air Force, Veteran
Michael Ventura	San Marcos	TX	Texas State University	Army, Veteran
Jerry Aguirre	El Paso	TX	Texas Tech University Health Sciences El Paso	Marine Corps, Veteran
John Amador	Conroe	TX	University of Houston	Army, Veteran
Abigail Hall	Little Elm	TX	University of North Texas	Marine Corps, Veteran
Jeffery Sanders	San Angelo	TX	University of North Texas	Marine Corps, Veteran
Natasha Green	Arlington	TX	University of Texas at Arlington	Army, Veteran
Nakeisha Gibson	Fort Worth	TX	University of Texas at Arlington	Navy, Veteran
Jason Wakefield	Southlake	TX	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	Air Force, Veteran
Jennifer Jordan	Hurricane	UT	American Public University	Air Force, Veteran
Lane Whitaker	Logan	UT	University of Utah	Army, Veteran
Robert Bean	Virginia Beach	VA	Bellevue University	Navy, Veteran
Dilcia Ramirez	Fredericksburg	VA	Johns Hopkins University	Air Force, Veteran
Stevie Strickland	Norfolk	VA	Liberty University	Navy, Veteran
Shaneika Rice	Lorton	VA	National University	Air Force, Veteran
Jessica Glass	Fredericksburg	VA	Pennsylvania Western University	Army, Veteran
Kelsey Franklin	Arlington	VA	Southern New Hampshire University	Army, Veteran
Tyler Knighton	Richmond	VA	University of Massachusetts - Amherst	Marine Corps, Veteran
Christopher Price	Poquoson	VA	West Virginia University	Air Force, Veteran
Jason Catlett	Graham	WA	Liberty University	Army, Veteran
Wesley Kereven	Waukesha	WI	University of Wisconsin - Stout	Army, Veteran
Jennifer Nethercutt	Huntington	WV	Marshall University	Navy, Veteran
Brandi Douglass	Princeton	WV	Walden University	Army, Veteran