

VII CORPS DESERT STORM VETERANS ASSOCIATION 2012 SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

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2012 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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The VII Corps Desert Storm Veterans Association announces its 16th annual Scholarship Program competition. Scholarships from \$1,000 to \$5,000 each will be awarded. Applications will be accepted from qualified candidates (enclosure 1) who are pursuing or about to pursue higher-level education in two or four year institutions. Applications will be rated not only on academic achievement, but also extracurricular activities: e.g., community activities/involvement, professional organizations, high school organizations/activities, and other self-development skills and abilities acquired through on the job training/experiences or correspondence courses.

This Scholarship competition is directly related to the VII Corps Desert Storm Veterans Association's charter purposes, which include providing assistance to the families of those soldiers who died as a result of participation in Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm or Provide Comfort and to those soldiers and families with illnesses linked to that service. Other purposes include providing assistance to those who served, or to families of those who served in Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm, Provide Comfort, or base activities supporting operations, providing an organization of VII Corps veterans to preserve and foster camaraderie, provide charitable assistance, foster fraternal relations and provide a network of soldiers and families, and also providing a means to preserve VII Corps history during Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm and Provide Comfort. General qualifications will be measured and selections based upon the completed application (enclosure 2) and the following:

a. **Two current letters of recommendation (cannot be from relatives).**

b. **Transcripts of grades from current school or latest school attended.**

3. Applications for consideration must be postmarked no later than 15 January 2012. Notification of Award will be made by 20 March 2012. Please provide your e-mail address or a self stamped envelope, if you do not have e-mail, if you wish to be advised of the final status of your application.

4. Please forward application package to: The VII Corps Desert Storm Veterans Association, ATTN: Scholarship Committee, Army Historical Foundation, 2425 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22201. Thank you for your participation and interest in the VII Corps Desert Storm Veterans Association Scholarship Program. Good luck!

Sincerely,
Arthur R. Hotop
Chairperson, Scholarship Committee

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Enclosure 1: Qualifications for applying

1. **Applicant must have served, or be an immediate family member of those who served, with the US Army VII Corps in Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm or Provide Comfort or one of the support base activities.**
2. Special consideration will be given to the survivors of VII Corps soldiers who died during Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm or Provide Comfort.
3. No application will be rejected for reason of race, religion, sex, or age.
4. Scholarships are limited to students entering or enrolled in accredited technical institutions (trade/specialty degrees), two-year colleges (associate degrees), and four-year universities.
5. Applications for full-time and part-time enrollment will be accepted for evaluation.
6. Applicants should have graduated from high school or will have an equivalent certificate by June 2012.
7. Awards will not be made to individuals receiving military academy appointments or full four-year scholarships. Rank-ordered alternates will be placed in lieu of primary selectees when this situation occurs.
8. Successful applicants may apply and qualify for scholarships in subsequent years.
9. In the event of a tie between applicants for the scholarship, priority will be given to the survivors of VII Corps soldiers who died during Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm or Provide Comfort, veterans who are also members of the VII Corps Desert Storm Veterans Association or family members of veterans who are also members of the VII Corps Desert Storm Veterans Association.
10. The scholarship award will be paid by check to the school the student attends upon receipt of proof of admission or registration for Fall 2012 semester courses at an accredited institution, college, or university.
11. Print or type the application. Ensure the 3-page application form, academic transcripts, and 2 recommendation letters are mailed by 15 January 2012.

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1. Full name: _____

2. Home Address:

Street _____

Apartment number _____

City _____

State, zip code _____

3. Home Telephone number: _____

4. Work Telephone number: _____

5. Cell telephone number: _____

6. Email address: _____

7. Social security number: _____

8 Citizenship status: _____

9. Circle the appropriate qualification basis:

US Army VII Corps Veteran of Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm

US Army VII Corps Veteran of Operation Provide Comfort

USA Army VII Corps Veteran of a Support Base Activities for an above named operation

Related to an US Army VII Corps Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm veteran

Related to an US Army VII Corps Operation Provide Comfort veteran

Related to a UIS Army VII Corps veteran of a Support Base Activities for an above named operation

10, Location of Support Base Activities (city or Kaserne)? _____

11. Are you a surviving family member of a US Army VII Corps soldier who died during Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm or Provide Comfort? _____

If yes, what is the family member's name? _____

Your relationship to the VII Corps veteran? _____

12. What VII Corp or associated unit did you or your family member serve with in Desert Shield/Desert Storm or Provide Comfort? (Please provide the unit/detachment/company/battery level at least. Providing battalion/squadron level and higher will be helpful)

Unit: (detachment,company,battery) _____

Battalion: (if applicable) _____

Brigade: (if applicable) _____

Kaserne or Post: _____

City: _____

14. Are you a family member of a VII Corps veteran who is a member of the VII Corps Desert Storm Veterans Association (VII Corps DSVVA)? _____

If yes, what is the VII Corps DSVVA member's name? _____

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15. a. Name of school currently attending: _____

b. Address of school currently attending: _____

16. Name and city of school you plan to attend or have applied to (may be more than one):

17. Are you a full time student? Part time?

18. College major/career choice:

19. **Honors and awards** (state the year and nature of honor or award):

A. School related:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

B. Other (civic/community):

_____	_____
_____	_____

20. **Leadership position and offices held** (organization, position, and year):

A. School related:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

B. Other (civic/community):

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

21. **Extracurricular activities and work experience:** (volunteer work, jobs, self-development activities, school activities etc.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

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22. Complete this item only if a high school senior:

a. Rank in graduating class (if known): _____ out of _____

b. Current grade point average: _____ out of possible _____

23. Essay requirement: Submit a 500-word essay (on separate sheet of paper) on the subject: **"What does it mean to you to be a citizen of the United States?"**

24. Authentication: to the best of my knowledge, the information on this Scholarship Application is accurate and correct. I understand that any and all of the information is subject to verification by the VII Corps Desert Storm Veterans Association. I further understand that the decision of the VII Corps Desert Storm Veterans Association regarding this application and award of scholarships are final and not subject to appeal. I also certify that I have not accepted a military academy (any Service) appointment or a fully paid four-year scholarship.

Applicant's signature: _____

Date: _____

Don't forget to ensure that this application form, 2 letters of recommendation and transcripts are mailed by 15 January 2012.