

BETTER CHANCE SCHOLARSHIP

ASSOCIATES OF VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA (AVVA) was chartered in 1999. It is a parallel organization of Vietnam Veterans of America, working side-by-side to improve the life of the Vietnam Veterans and their families.

In January 1998, the BETTER CHANCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM was established. This was one of the ways that the Associates could help better the lives of the veterans and their families not only today but for years to come. The program targets the average student who would not be eligible for an academic scholarship and could not afford the escalating costs of an education, but did want to attend college.

As funds permit, scholarships in the amount of \$1000, \$750, or \$500 will be awarded to students who are in financial need to pursue post-secondary education.

ELIGIBILITY

For an application to be accepted, you must be a VVA or AVVA member; the spouse, child, or grandchild of a VVA or AVVA member; or the spouse, child, or grandchild of a KIA or MIA Vietnam Veteran.

You must be registered in an accredited college, university, or post-secondary training institute.

You must prove financial need through the official print out from the Federal Student Aid Application form.

TO APPLY

Applicants must submit the following by **JUNE 30, 2012**:

- A completed application form
- A copy of the Official Student Aid Report sent to you from the Federal Student Aid Program (**NOT YOUR WORKSHEET**)
- A **Sealed** copy of your latest high school or college transcript
- Proof of acceptance from the school of your choice

- A minimum of two (2) letters of reference from a current or former teacher, academic advisor, employer, community leader, minister, etc. **Letters cannot be from a relative.**
- A letter of recommendation from the VVA Chapter President or State Council President
- All essay questions answered completely

ESSAY QUESTIONS

(Please limit answers to one page or less for each question.)

1. What long-range goals have you made for yourself? Why did you choose them? How will you accomplish them?
2. What type of work experience have you had? To what extent will you be able to assist with your college expenses?
3. What organizations or activities have you have been involved with and list any community service involvement?
4. Why do you think you should receive this scholarship?

ALL OF THE ABOVE MUST BE INCLUDED WITH YOUR APPLICATION, BE CURRENT, AND MUST BE POSTMARKED BY:

JUNE 30, 2012

The process of selection of the award winners is within the sole discretion of the ASSOCIATES OF VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA and is not subject or appeal or review.

Send completed paperwork to:
Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.
AVVA BETTER CHANCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CHAIR
8719 Colesville Rd Suite 100
Silver Spring, MD 20910-3919

BETTER CHANCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICANT STATUS:

Vietnam Era Veteran:

Child/Grandchild of VVA or AVVA Member:

AVVA Member:

Child/Grandchild of MIA or KIA Vietnam Veteran:

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone #: _____ Social Security #: _____

SPONSOR: (full name and Membership # of VVA/AVVA sponsor. If MIA or KIA, name only.)

Name: _____ Membership #: _____

EDUCATION:

High School: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

School Attending: _____

Applicant's Signature

date

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