

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) Chapter 1075 Scholarship.  Your completed application must be returned to: VVA Chapter 1075, P.O. Box 38974, Colorado Springs, CO 80937-8974 **with a postmark of no later than 31 March 2025.**  Applications received after that postmarked date “**WILL NOT”** be considered or accepted.  To qualify for the **$2000.00 Scholarship Award**, you must be a child or grandchild of a military Vietnam or Vietnam era veteran (deceased or otherwise) living in one of these Colorado Counties: **El Paso, or Teller County.** Adults or emancipated children are not eligible. You **must not be older than 21 years** of age, and you **must be accepted** **into an accredited college or trade or technical school and be able to provide proof of acceptance.** Adults or emancipated children are **Not Eligible.** Applicants **must be the child or grandchild of a Military member who served in Vietnam or Vietnam Era Veteran whose military service was from 1962-1975. Additionally, dependents of Veterans who served in any War or Conflict in Southwest Asia areas (Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait) are eligible**. In addition to completing the application and providing supporting documentation, each applicant will be required to write a **1000 word typed essay** on any one of the following three topics with references as to the source of your information.

Q 1: **OPERATION** **ROLLING THUNDER,** what was the purpose of this operation

 during the Vietnam war and was it effective?

Q 2: **AMERICAN MEDIA,** how did it affect the opinions of the American Public about

 supporting the war?

 Q 3: **GENERAL WESTMORELAND,** what was his strategy for protecting South

 Vietnam, and he truthful in his reports to DoD concerning the war effort?

 **Your application must be completed in its entirety (specifically 1000-word essay), or it will not be considered.**

The top two (2) winners will be notified via email and phone. The winners will be invited to present their essay in person to VVA Chapter 1075 members at a date/time to be determined. Non-winners will be notified by phone. **Hardcopies of the VVA Scholarship Application can be downloaded at our website: vva1075.org**

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Dowell

Chairperson,

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 1075 Scholarship Committee

**Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 1075 2024-2025 Scholarship Application**

**Please print in ink or type. Illegible applications will NOT be considered. Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

**Completed applications must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2025**

1. Personal Information

Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Phone (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Email\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Eligibility

Applicants must have dependent status. ***\*If more than half of your support for the year is provided by another person, you can generally be claimed as a dependent. That person will usually be your parent (or someone else who is related to you and whose household you are a member of).*** *{http://www.irs.gov Publication 4, Student’s guide to Federal Income Tax}.*  Adults or emancipated children are **not eligible**. Applicants must be the child or grandchild of a **military member who served in Vietnam or a Vietnam Era Veteran whose military service was from 1962-1975. Additionally, dependents of Veterans who served in any War or Conflict in Southwest Asia areas (Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait) are also eligible.** Proof will be required at the time the completed scholarship application is turned in to **VVA Chapter 1075**. The proof will be a copy of the veterans **DD214** (military discharge paper) with the veteran's social security number blacked out. Preference is given to those children/grandchildren of veterans who are deceased or disabled. If no applicants meet these criteria, then all other applications will be considered as equal.

Applicants must be a resident of one of the following counties in Colorado: **El Paso and Teller.**

My Parent/Grandparents information.

Veteran’s Name and relationship to you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Your Educational Status

 High School/College last attended\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 City\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_Zip Code\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Date of graduation\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, what year (after high school) are you entering (freshman,

 sophomore, junior, senior)

I have applied for admission to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (College/University/Technical School) and have been accepted or I am a full time student. (Please provide proof of acceptance or enrollment).

School Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State\_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. School Sponsored extra-curricular activities

List the name of the activity, a description of the activity, and the amount of time per week/month spent participating in the activity. Include awards or accolades earned.

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1. Extra-curricular activities (other than school related) ex. Boy/Girl Scouts, etc.

List the name of the activity, a description of the activity and the amount of time per week/month spent participating in the activity. Include awards or accolades earned.

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1. Work Experience

Employer Position/Responsibilities Hours/Week Dates

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The top two (2) finalists will be notified by phone and required to meet with three members of the scholarship committee for a face-to-face interview at which time the committee will make a decision on the winner of the scholarship.

**Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 1075 Scholarship Release Form**

In consideration of receipt of the VVA Chapter 1075 Scholarship

I,

Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_State \_\_\_\_Zip Code\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Certify that I have dependent status as defined on page one of this application. My parent or grandparent is/was a military **Vietnam Veteran or Vietnam Era Veteran**, **and/ Veteran of Southwest Areas, i.e., Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait.**

I further certify that I am \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_years of age.

I also agree to allow the VVA Chapter 1075 and/or the VVA Chapter 1075 Scholarship Committee to contact me at a future time regarding my Scholastic accomplishments following receipt of any scholarship funds awarded by reason of this application.

**Signature of applicant** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Supporting documentation Checklist**

The following documentation must accompany the application. **Applications that do not contain ALL of the following materials will NOT be considered for the VVA Chapter 1075 Scholarship.**

\_\_\_\_\_**VVA Chapter 1075 application.**

\_\_\_\_\_**1000** **word typed essay.**

\_\_\_\_\_A copy of the letter of acceptance from the institution you plan to attend. If a letter of acceptance has not been received at the time this application is mailed, attach a brief note stating to and forward a copy of the letter of acceptance as soon as it is received **(no later than 31 May 2025).**

\_\_\_\_\_ A copy of your most current high school or college transcript.

\_\_\_\_\_Proof of parent or grandparent Veteran’s service **(DD214)**, proof of parent or grandparent VA issued disability documentation or veteran’s death certificate.

**Certification Statement**

I certify that all of the information contained in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mail application to:

**Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 1075**

**PO Box 38974**

**Colorado Springs, CO 80937-8974**