

**Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.**  
**Western New York Chapter 77**  
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## SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING

Education is one of the hallmarks that help to make our country great. As we all know, the cost of higher education has skyrocketed beyond the average rate of inflation and, in our area, there are many students who are in need of financial assistance. To address this need, Chapter 77 of the Vietnam Veterans of America created the Peter P Tycz II Memorial Scholarship.

Since its inception in 2005, we have received an average of over 90 applications per year with the number of \$250 scholarships awarded tied to fundraising. Thanks to our fundraising efforts in the last 13 years, we were able to award 368 scholarships with a total value of \$92,000. This year, we expect the number of students in need to escalate and anticipate receiving more applications than in previous years.

We ask for your help in supporting the Peter P Tycz II Memorial Scholarship Fund. Our main fundraiser is a spaghetti dinner held at the Tonawanda Senior Center, Tonawanda, NY in January of each year. Other than our main fundraiser, we must rely on donations at the local level. We would graciously appreciate **ANY** monetary support that you can give. Contributions of \$250 or more will be recognized by placing the donor's name on a plaque located at the Chapter 77 Museum located at 47 Main Street, Tonawanda, NY 14150.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (716) 693-4479

Thank you for your consideration.

P.S. If you decide to support the scholarship, please make checks payable to the Peter P. Tycz II Memorial Scholarship Fund and mail to Vietnam Veterans of America, 47 Main St, Tonawanda, NY 14150

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## **PETER P. TYCZ II**

### **MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**TO THE APPLICANT:** The Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 77 is proud to sponsor the Peter P. Tycz II Memorial Scholarship. Sergeant First Class Tycz was a US Army Green Beret who died in the line of duty in Paktika Province, Afghanistan in 2002. It is designed for a graduating high school senior who:

- resides in Niagara or Erie County,
- has a relative who is/was a veteran (Reservists who have completed 180 continuous days of service are considered veterans.),
- shows a unique blend of academic achievement and community service,
- Anticipates enrollment in an accredited program of higher education beginning in the fall of 2019.

Selection criteria are based on the completed application, academic achievement, essay and letter of recommendation. The scholarship winner will be notified in writing by July 1, and disbursement will be made to the winner in August/September. The application must be **MAILED** and postmarked by May 1, 2019.

### **PLEASE ASSEMBLE THE FOLLOWING:**

- Completed Application (If additional space is required, please include it as an attachment.)
- Proof of relation to a veteran (ex: DD Form 214 or 1 other form of veteran /military status)
- Transcript
- Essay
- Letter of recommendation

### **SEND THE DOCUMENTS LISTED ABOVE TO:**

Scholarship Committee  
V V A, Ch 77  
47 Main St  
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**DEADLINE:** Postmarked by May 1, 2019.

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## **PETER P. TYCZ II** **MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** **APPLICATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone (716) \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_  
High School \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### **VETERAN INFORMATION:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Branch of Service \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ V V A Member (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Relation \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Deceased: (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_

Enclose **DD Form 214 or 1** other proof of veteran/service status. Reservists who have completed 180 continuous days of service are considered veterans. **Please make any sensitive information unreadable.** All applications and enclosed information will be destroyed after the scholarship winners are determined.

### **ACTIVITIES, LEADERSHIP and HONORS (including sports):**

Activity	Number of years	Position, Office or Honor	Leadership Role (if any)
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

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**COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

Organization	Dates:	Volunteer Activity	Supervisor	Telephone
_____	to _____	_____	_____	_____
_____	to _____	_____	_____	_____
_____	to _____	_____	_____	_____
_____	to _____	_____	_____	_____
_____	to _____	_____	_____	_____

**WORK EXPERIENCE:**

Business	Dates	Job Description	Supervisor	Telephone
_____	to _____	_____	_____	_____
_____	to _____	_____	_____	_____
_____	to _____	_____	_____	_____
_____	to _____	_____	_____	_____
_____	to _____	_____	_____	_____

**COLLEGE PLANS:**

Career Goals: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

College Applied to:

Acceptance Status:

_____	Yes _____	No _____	No Reply	Yet _____
_____	Yes _____	No _____	No Reply	Yet _____
_____	Yes _____	No _____	No Reply	Yet _____
_____	Yes _____	No _____	No Reply	Yet _____
_____	Yes _____	No _____	No Reply	Yet _____

**ESSAY:** In 250 words or less, attach a typed essay that describes what effect having a veteran as a relative had on you.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information contained herein is complete and accurate.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Date)