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Bill Forbes Scholarship Fund

The Bill Forbes Scholarship is open to all 12th grade students who are:

1) Sons and daughters of a Veteran or active duty service member

2) If not the son or daughter of a Veteran or active duty military personnel, then a multi-year participant in the Melrose Veterans Memory Project.

3) Students who demonstrate financial need.

4) Residents of Melrose, MA, regardless of the school in which they are enrolled (this includes students who attend private and/or religious schools, as well as students who are home-schooled.)5) Students who are accepted into an accredited academic program at a college, university or trade school.

Family members of officers and directors of, and major contributors to Disabled and Limbless Veterans, Inc. and family members of the scholarship selection committee are not eligible to receive the scholarship.

A scholarship of up to \$5,000 will be awarded to two students based on **all** information in the application and essay submitted to scholarship election committee. Students applying for the scholarship must complete the application and an essay between 1,000 to 1,500 words on the following topic:

"Explain how a Veteran has impacted your life and how you have impacted the life of a Veteran. Be specific to include information about your own family (if someone in your family is a Veteran or on active duty), your personal experiences with a Veteran or Veterans, and your impact on the Veteran's life. Also describe the Veteran's military service experience, what the Veteran has taught you about military service, and how that may affect decisions you make about your future endeavors."

Essay content, organization, structure, grammar, and spelling will be considered in judging.

Applications for the scholarship and the required essay will be accepted until Thursday, May 3, 2019 and sent as either a Word Doc or PDF via email to <u>apply@billforbesscholarship.org</u> (time stamped no later than 11:59 PM) or via postal service (postmarked no later than May 3, 2019) to **Bill Forbes Scholarship**, **PO Box 244**, **Winchester**, **MA (attn.: Application)**. The **essay** must include entrant's name, address, E-mail, phone number, and name & address of school attended. This information must be placed on a **separate cover page** to be assigned a number for anonymity when judging. Only one application and essay entry per entrant may be submitted and accepted by the judges.

The contest judges shall be members of the Disabled and Limbless Veterans, Inc. Scholarship Committee and/or persons affiliated with the Disabled and Limbless Veterans Inc.

All decisions of the judges will be final.

All entries become the property of the Disabled and Limbless Veterans, Inc. and will not be returned. Submission of a contest entry will constitute consent to publication of the winner's name and essay by the Disabled and Limbless Veterans, Inc. in the media, and/or use of same in any format.

The winner of the essay contest will be contacted in May, and the scholarship will be awarded on behalf of the winner, to school of attendance as indicated by the winner. Please submit any questions to info@billforbesscholarship.org.