

BLINDED VETERANS ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY

RENEE FELDMAN SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

June 1, 2020

Dear Scholarship Applicant:

Enclosed are the forms you need to apply for the Renee Feldman Scholarship offered by the Blinded Veterans Association Auxiliary. This will be the Thirtieth (38th) year that the BVA Auxiliary has offered scholarships to the children or spouse of Blinded Veterans. The deadline for applying is **January 31, 2021**.

Please be sure to fill out the forms completely. Remember, as you fill in these forms, that each will have to be copied for the use of each Scholarship Committee member.

Please be sure that they are completed on a typewriter, word processor, or printed legibly in black ink on 8 1/2 X 11inch paper. Our Scholarship committee is looking forward to reviewing your completed application materials and selecting the top three candidates for the scholarships.

Two of the recipients will receive \$2000 and one will receive \$1000 for the **2021-2022** academic years-- half will be sent in August and the remaining half in December. If you have any further information that you feel the Committee should have, please type or print it on an additional sheet, NOT on any of the forms.

Best wishes to each of you.

Sincerely,

Lottie Davis, Chairperson  
Renee Feldman Scholarship Committee  
Blinded Veterans Association Auxiliary  
615 S. Adams Street  
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BLINDED VETERANS ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY

RENEE FELDMAN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS

The Auxiliary of the Blinded Veterans Association will award three scholarships for the **2021-2022** academic year. There will be two scholarships in the amount of \$2000 each, and one Scholarships in the amount of \$1000, to the children or spouses of Blinded Veterans whose blindness is either SERVICE CONNECTED or NON-SERVICE CONNECTED. The award is made in two installments, (August and December) to the institution in which the student is enrolled, and may be used only for tuition, books, and fees.

This scholarship is open only for full time students in an accredited vocational technical school, community college, college, or university. Students may apply each year of study and may receive up to three annual scholarship awards.

To be eligible, an applicant must be either a child or spouse of a Blinded Veteran. Grandchildren are not eligible. The veteran need not be a member of the Blinded Veterans Association. The veteran's blindness may be either Service Connected or Non-Service Connected, but it must meet the following definition:

Central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with corrective glasses, or central visual acuity of more than 20/200 if there is a field defect in which the peripheral, field has contracted to such an extent that the widest diameter of visual field subtends an angular distance no greater than 20 degrees in the better eye.

**APPLICANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR INSURING THAT THE REQUIRED TRANSCRIPTS, DOCUMENTS, THREE-HUNDRED WORD ESSAY, AND LETTERS OF REFERENCE REACH THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON BY THE DEADLINE DATE OF **January 31, 2021.****

Please fill out every form completely. Applicants will be selected for the award on the "best-qualified" basis, with the major emphasis for consideration based on need and academic achievements. However, your 300-word essay describing your post-education, lifetime plans, and career goals, also weigh heavily. Remember you may be awarded a scholarship up to three times during your academic years. If you have any questions about these forms or requirements, please write or call the Chairperson of the committee, listed below.

With best wishes to each of you,

Lottie Davis, Chairperson  
Renee Feldman Scholarship Committee  
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Application Form  
BLINDED VETERANS ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY  
RENEE FELDMAN SCHOLARSHIP  
2021 -2022 ACADEMIC YEAR

**General Instructions**

1. Please read the instructions and questions on this application carefully before attempting to supply the information requested.
2. Please type, prepare on word processor, or print plainly in black ink the information requested on this form and in all supporting statements.
3. Whenever the space provided on the form is inadequate, please attach a separate sheet or sheets (on 8-1/2" x 11" paper) to present fully the information requested.
4. Applicant's name should be clearly printed on each page of this form, on each additional sheet and on all documents submitted.

DATE OF APPLICATION: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
                    First                    Middle                    Last

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
                            Street No.                            City                            State                            Zip

HOME TEL: # \_\_\_\_\_ SOCIAL SECURITY NO: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE IN WHICH YOU CLAIM RESIDENCE: \_\_\_\_\_

PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR BLINDED VETERAN.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ RELATIONSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
                    First                    Middle                    Last

VA FILE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PERMANENT ADDRESS OF BLINDED VETERAN \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address

City

State

Zip

PERMANENT TELEPHONE NO# OF BLINDED VETERAN: \_\_\_\_\_

MARITAL STATUS OF STUDENT \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

(S, M, D, SEP)

HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED a BVAA SCHOLARSHIP? \_\_\_\_\_

IF SO, WHEN AND AT WHAT INSTITUTION? \_\_\_\_\_

TRANSCRIPTS: YOU MUST SUBMIT A TRANSCRIPT OF YOUR HIGH SCHOOL RECORDS. IF YOU HAVE ATTENDED AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION (OR SEVERAL OF THEM) YOU MUST SUBMIT A TRANSCRIPT OF YOUR RECORDS AT EACH INSTITUTION.

LIST ALL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS YOU HAVE ATTENDED INCLUDING HIGH SCHOOL.

Name of the  
INSTITUTION/LOCATION

DATES OF ATTENDANCE  
20— or 20—

DEGREE  
RECIEVED OR EXPECTED


INSTITUTION FOR WHICH SCHOLARSHIP IS SOUGHT. (MUST BE AN ACCREDITED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATIONAL, BUSINESS, SECRETARIAL, OR VOCATIONAL TRAINING SCHOOL)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF INSTITUTION: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU PRESENTLY ATTENDING? \_\_\_\_\_

IF NOT, WHEN WERE YOU ACCEPTED FOR ADMISSION? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT PROGRAM ARE YOU IN, UNDERGRADUATE OR GRADUATE, FIELD OF STUDY?

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WILL YOU BE A FULL-TIME STUDENT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WILL YOU GRADUATE? \_\_\_\_\_

COST PAYABLE DIRECTLY TO INSTITUTION:

ITEMIZE THE ESTIMATED COSTS, PAYABLE TUITION, BOOKS, AND OTHER ACADEMIC FEES FOR THE COMING YEAR.

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EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE: (GIVE EMPLOYER, DATES OF EMPLOYMENT, AND TYPE OF WORK, OR PLACES YOU HAVE VOLUNTEERED AT.)

1. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING WITH YOUR APPLICATION OR SEPARATELY (IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT REQUIRED ITEMS REACH THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE BY THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS). YOU MAY SUBMIT OTHER EVIDENCE OF ACHIEVEMENT IN THE ACADEMIC AND/OR NON-ACADEMIC FIELDS, WHICH YOU BELIEVE QUALIFIES YOU FOR A SCHOLARSHIP AWARD. SUCH EVIDENCE MUST BE SUBSTANTIATED BY DOCUMENTATION, I.E. COPY OF THE AWARD CERTIFICATE, COPY OF THE CITATION, ETC.

300 WORDS ESSAY REQUIRED: DESCRIBE YOUR POST EDUCATION, LIFETIME, CAREER GOALS AND PLANS FOR AFTER COMPLETING YOUR EDUCATION AND OUTLINE YOUR PLANS TO ACCOMPLISH THEM. IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT THE ESSAY BE PREPARED USING A TYPEWRITER OR WORD PROCESSOR.

CURRENT LETTERS OF REFERENCE: PLEASE SUBMIT THREE LETTERS OF REFERENCE WHICH MUST BE FORMALIZED THROUGH THE USE OF LETTERHEAD PAPER OR BUSINESS STATIONARY BY THE AUTHORS, INSOFAR AS POSSIBLE. LETTERS OF REFERENCE USED FOR PREVIOUS BVAA SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

ONE LETTER OF REFERENCE MUST BE RELATED TO YOUR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS (FROM A PROFESSOR, TEACHER, OR COUNSELOR).

TWO (2) LETTERS OF REFERENCE MUST BE PERSONAL REFERENCES IN WHICH THE AUTHOR MUST IDENTIFY HIS/HER RELATIONSHIP TO THE APPLICANT. (THESE PERSONAL REFERENCES MUST BE FROM SOMEONE OTHER THAN FAMILY MEMBERS.)

MAIL YOUR APPLICATION AND REQUIRED MATERIALS TO:

Lottie Davis, CHAIRMAN.  
RENEE FELDMAN SCHOLARSHIP  
BLINDEDVETERANS ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY  
615 S. Adams Street  
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THE RENEE FELDMAN SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AWARDED FOR ONE YEAR ONLY. APPLICANTS ARE ADVISED THAT BVAA SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES PERMIT AN INDIVIDUAL TO RECEIVE ONLY A TOTAL OF THREE (3) BVAA SCHOLARSHIPS, UNDER THIS PROGRAM.

**YOU'RE APPLICATION, AND ALL SUPPORTING MATERIALS, MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE BVAA SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN NOT LATER THAN **January 31, 2021** TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE **2021-2022** ACADEMIC YEAR.**