



Tampa Bay Area Chiefs of Police Association Scholarship Program

PURPOSE OF AWARD

- a) The Tampa Bay Area Chiefs of Police Association is seeking to enhance higher education opportunities among qualified candidates. It is our desire that, through this financial scholarship, ten (10) students might be afforded the opportunity to have higher educational opportunities. Ten (10) \$5,000 scholarships will be awarded for the 2020/2021 academic year.

Each Agency can submit recommendations which need to be signed off by the agency head/designee. (Agencies with 1-25 fulltime officers can submit up to 4 recommendations, Agencies with 26-50 fulltime officers can submit up to 6 recommendations, Agencies with 51-75 fulltime officers can submit up to 8 recommendations, and Agencies with more than 76 fulltime officers can submit up to 10 recommendations)

METHOD OF SELECTION

1. All scholarship applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee.
2. Selection of recipients will be at the sole discretion of the TBACPA Scholarship Committee.

CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

1. Applicant must be currently enrolled in an accredited college level program or have been accepted for the 2020/2021 academic year. (Must provide documentation)
2. Applicant may be enrolled in undergraduate or graduate studies.
3. Applicant must be a United States Citizen, and a resident of the State of Florida.

4. Applicant must be of good character and must be endorsed by an Active TBACPA member in who is in good standing. Each agency in the TBACPA region will be allowed to submit applications for consideration based on the number of fulltime law enforcement officers at their respected agency. All applications submitted to the Scholarship Committee must be approved by the Agency Head or designee which is indicated on the bottom of the application.
5. A current high school/college transcript and picture must be submitted with the application.
6. Applicant must attend or plan to attend an accredited college or university.
7. High School applicants must have a letter of acceptance to an accredited college or university with application prior to date of award.

All guidelines must be followed, or application will not be accepted. Incomplete applications will not be considered. All areas must be filled out completely and legibly.

Completed applications must be RECEIVED by April 30, 2020. Late submissions will not be considered.

Agency heads/designee will accept applications and forward them to the Scholarship Committee Chairman. Agency heads should also review all applications to ensure that they have met eligibility requirements.

All recipients may be requested to attend the Annual Tampa Bay Area Chiefs of Police Foundation Gala in September 2020. The Foundation is a 501(c) (3) organization that provides the funding to allow these generous opportunities and the gala is one of the major fund-raising events.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call 813-245-5329 to speak to the Scholarship Committee Chairman (Retired Chief Rob Lovering). Thanks for your support and we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Chief Charlie Vazquez, President
Tampa Bay Area Chiefs of Police Association

Send completed applications :

**Lisa Spinnichia (Lspinnichia@tampaairport.com)
c/o Tampa Airport Police Department Headquarters
PO Box 22287
Tampa, Florida 33622**



2020
**Tampa Bay Area
Chiefs of Police Association
Scholarship Application**

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2" x 3" photo here

**ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE
RECEIVED* BY April 30, 2020**

1. Name: _____
First Middle Last

2. Permanent Address: _____
City State Zip Code

Telephone #: _____

3. Parent(s) Guardian(s) Name, Address: **(Complete if under 21)**

First Middle Last

Street City State Zip Code

Telephone Number: _____

4. Name and Address of the College, University, School or Program you will be attending:

5. Have you been accepted () Yes () No. If Yes, please include a copy of your acceptance letter. If No, please indicate the anticipated date acceptance letters will be mailed by the institution.

6. Date of Admission: _____ Degree Major: _____

7. Upon graduation how will you use your **College Degree** to assist "First responders"?

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8. Do you have a family member who is a Law Enforcement Officer within the Tampa Bay Area?
() Yes () No. If Yes, please complete:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Agency: _____

****Note: Scholarship awards are based upon merit as determined by the Scholarship Committee after review of your application, essays, achievements, character, personal, career goals, extracurricular activities, and service to your school and community. ****

9. Have you ever been charged or arrested for a criminal offense? () Yes () No. If Yes, please explain circumstance and criminal charge(s): _____

10. Have you received a Scholarship from the Tampa Bay Area Chiefs of Police Association Previously? () Yes () No. If Yes, When? _____

11. Please list all the Scholarship(s) have you received or applied for: _____

12. Military experience? () Yes () No, If Yes, Service Dates? _____
Type of Discharge: _____

13. Provide the Names, Addresses, and Telephone Numbers of two references (not family members) who can attest to your personal character. Have each include a Letter of Reference as outlined in the instructions.

1) _____

2) _____

14. Attach a copy of your **OFFICIAL** school transcript.

** (Do not duplicate activities on 15, 16, 17, list where most appropriate).

15. List your extracurricular activities and describe your level of involvement in each. **List your total hours participating in each activity for the past four years.** **

16. List patriotic, community, or church activities, you are or have been involved with. **List your total hours participating in each activity for the past four years.** **

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17. List your academic honors and other school related achievements. **

18. In a separate attachment(s), answer **3** out of the **4** following Essay questions using a minimum of 500 words and no more than 750 words for each essay question.

- A. Who has inspired you the most in your life? (How and why)
- B. What is your perception on how today's Law Enforcement Officer is viewed within your community? (Explain: Positive and Negative perspectives). What advice would you give to a local police officer on how best to effectively communicate to citizens within your community?
- C. Given the opportunity to speak directly to a law enforcement officer, what would you say that would make them realize that every missed family birthday party, celebration, gathering, holiday and sporting event was worth it? How would you say, "Thank You?"
- D. From a financial standpoint, what impact would this scholarship have on your education and family circumstances?

Only complete applications will be accepted

Applicant's Signature

Date

Active Tampa Bay Area Chiefs of Police Organization Member sponsoring the applicant:

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Agency: _____ Date: _____

TBACPA Member's Affiliation to Scholarship Applicant? _____

Submitting Agency Head/Designee (Chief, CEO, Sheriff etc. sign off):

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Agency: _____ Date: _____

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