

# Rainbow Division Veterans Foundation



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## RDVF Scholarship Instructions (2021):

The RDVF Scholarship Program has grown significantly over the years. Today's foundation is dedicated to its continued growth. In recent years the RDVF has approved more than \$165,000 in college scholarship money to current Soldiers of the 42d Infantry Division and descendants of RDVF members. Each year the RDVF scholarship committee reviews applications from eligible college-age students and selects winners and scholarship amounts. (Only undergraduate students are being considered at this time)

**Eligibility:** Applicant must be either a graduating high school senior who is accepted to a college, enrolled in college, and/or eligible to attend college in the fall and who is also one of the following:

1. A current Soldier assigned to a unit commanded by the 42<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division and in good standing.
2. A descendant of a current RDVF Veteran or Legacy Member (A descendant is defined as: All spouses, children, spouses of children, descendants and spouses, and all blood and adopted relatives and their spouses, or...)
3. An immediate Gold Star Family Member of an OIF/OEF (or more recent Named Operation) Soldier who died in service under the command of a 42<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division unit. (Mother, Father, Sibling, Spouse, or Child)
4. Previous award winners are not eligible to apply.

**Sponsorship Requirement:** All applicants must be sponsored by a current RDVF Veteran or Legacy Member who is a paid-up Lifetime Member prior to the date of application.

1. **Applicant:** The applicant is responsible to obtain a sponsor and to coordinate that portion of the application process with them. Assistance with securing sponsorship may be requested by contacting the Scholarship Chairman.
2. **Sponsor:** The Scholarship Sponsor must be a valid RDVF Lifetime member and can only sponsor one applicant per scholarship year. The RDVF Lifetime member start date must be included on the application. This information can be found under the Member Center Tab at [www.Rainbowvets.org](http://www.Rainbowvets.org). The sponsor must vouch for the applicant's eligibility in writing. Veteran and Legacy RDVF Members can sponsor their own descendants as long as they meet the Lifetime membership criteria.

**Application Process:** To be considered for a scholarship, an applicant must provide a completed application packet which includes the following:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ A completed scholarship application form (included with these instructions).
2. \_\_\_\_\_ A letter of nomination from the scholarship sponsor which clearly delineates the applicant's eligibility.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Official high school transcripts and/or official college transcripts as appropriate. Please note any Advanced Placement (AP) or Honors (H) Courses.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ SAT and/or ACT scores must be submitted separately if they are not already recorded on the official transcript.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Two letters of recommendation: One letter must be from a school representative (teacher, professor, coach, counselor, principal etc.) The second letter can be a general character reference.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Essay consisting of at least 750 words, but no more than 1500 words that covers the following topics:
  - (a). Briefly describe your educational career to date, discussing why you selected the college/university and course of study that you did.
  - (b). Briefly describe your interests, hobbies, sports, extracurricular activities and why they are important to you.
  - (c). Discuss your relationship to the person who sponsored you for this scholarship or, if a Gold Star Family applicant, you may discuss your relationship to the deceased Soldier. Illustrate how that individual's service in

the 42nd Infantry Division lent itself to the creation of an enduring commitment to worldwide understanding, permanent peace and respect for the rights of individuals in all nations.

(d). Finally discuss what that person's service means to you. How can their experiences or the lessons he or she learned as a member of the 42nd Infantry Division be applied to your own personal growth, selected educational path and potential career field.

7. \_\_\_\_\_ When preparing your essay, please review our website [www.rainbowvets.org](http://www.rainbowvets.org) for history and information related to the 42nd Infantry (Rainbow) Division and the Rainbow Division Veterans Foundation.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ The application period is from March 1st through July 15th of each year. Inquiries and completed applications with supporting material must be mailed or electronically submitted to:

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9. \_\_\_\_\_ The postmark deadline for completed applications is July 15. When mailing the materials please use a minimum 9x12 size envelope so that no pages are folded.

The scholarship committee will evaluate each applicant utilizing a merit evaluation process, examining academics, extracurricular activities, committee member assessment and applicant essay. Individual scholarships have ranged from \$500 to \$5,000 in past years; however, available funds dictate scholarship amounts and numbers each year.

Through the generosity of families and organizations and/or the significant efforts of members who have managed the scholarship program over the years the following endowed scholarships exist:

RDVF Diamond Awards: (in perpetuity)

The Stillman F. Sawyer Award  
The Walter and Virginia Duhaseck Award  
The Edward and Lillian Kaiser Award  
The News Corp - Sgt Robert T. Kennedy Award

RDVF Platinum Awards: (six years)

42d Infantry Division Association Award (2017 – 2022)  
242 Infantry Regiment Award (2017-2022)  
222 Infantry Regiment Award (2017-2022)  
The Lon and Colleen Peck Award (2017-2022)

RDVF Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards will be listed in the Annual Program

Honorary Awards:

Ted Simonson Award  
Ted Johnson Award

Additional awards may be given at the recommendation of the scholarship committee.



**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2021**

Legal Name:

Last:	First:	MI:
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Permanent Residence Address:

Street and Number:		
City:	State:	Zip:

Other Applicant Information:

Birth Date:	Phone:	Email:
High School Attended:		Graduation Date:
College Where Enrolled:		Entrance Date:

Eligibility Information (must meet one)

Currently Serving 42d ID Soldier Unit of Assignment:	Unit Contact Info:
Descendant of RDVF Member Name:	Relationship:
Gold Star Family Service Member Name:	Relationship:

RDVF Sponsor Information:

RDVF Sponsor Name:	RDVF Lifetime Member Date:
Street and Number:	
City:	State: Zip:

Please thoroughly read the "Scholarship Instructions" and provide all the required information along with this completed application. All applications must be postmarked or received electronically no later than July 15<sup>th</sup> of each year. Mail or submit electronically to:

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Proof of college enrolment is required prior to receipt of any scholarship proceeds.

I have read and understand the information/ guidelines, included all required attachments and certify that all information is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.

Applicant Signature:	Date:
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