



Richmond Firefighters Beat the Heat 5K Scholarship Fund

In 2008 the Richmond Firefighters Beat the Heat 5K Scholarship Fund was formed with the support of the Richmond Firefighters Peer Fitness Trainers and the Richmond Firefighters Foundation.

Purpose

To provide scholarships to students enrolled in an accredited college, university, vocational, or technical school who are dependants of any current sworn Richmond Firefighter or Firefighter who has died in the line of duty.

Eligibility

- Applicants must be dependants of a current sworn member of the Richmond Fire Department or a dependant of a member who has died in the line of duty. A dependant will only be awarded a scholarship two consecutive years and a maximum of two family members will be awarded a scholarship in any given year. One scholarship may be awarded to a City of Richmond Public Schools student, the process to receive this scholarship will be managed by the Richmond Public Schools and the Beat the Heat Scholarship Committee.
- Applicants must be enrolled in or accepted by an accredited college, university, vocational, or technical school.
- Submit a complete informational application.
- Scholarship monies will be granted on a yearly basis and applicants may reapply annually for additional scholarships.
- A High School/College transcript or current GPA must accompany this application.
- Two Letters of Recommendation must accompany your application. At least one letter must come from a teacher or counselor and neither can be written by a relative. Applicants must give a copy of the "Instructions for Letter of Recommendation" to each person who will write such a letter on your behalf.

- Scholarship grants will be transferred directly into the students account in the business office of the college, university, vocational, or technical school for tuition or book use. No outright distributions will be made. Should the recipient fail or drop out of the educational facility (or drop below full time status as defined by the facility), the scholarship will immediately be terminated and any remaining funds will be returned to the Richmond Firefighters Beat the Heat 5K Scholarship Fund.

Scholarship Award Range

Up to \$1,000.00

Application Period

January 1st to April 15th. Any application postmarked before or after this period will not be considered.



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Scholarship Application Academic Year 2011-2012

Instructions to Applicant

- Complete all pages of the application form. Please print clearly or type.
- Arrange for an official high school or college transcript to be sent to the address below. Your application is not complete, and will not be considered, without the transcript.
- Give a copy of the “Instructions for Letter of Recommendation” to each person who will write a letter on your behalf. Remember that one letter must come from a teacher or counselor and neither can come from a relative. Along with a copy of this form, give them a stamped addressed envelope addressed to the location below.
- The application, transcript, and recommendation letters should be mailed to:

**The Richmond Firefighters Beat the Heat 5K Scholarship Fund
201 Harwick Dr
Richmond, VA. 23236
804-794-1173**

- Applications will only be accepted from Jan.1 thru April 15th
- The all-civilian Selection Committee will meet in April to select a group of finalists. The finalists will then be reviewed and winners will be announced by May 15th.

We look forward to receiving your application!



Instructions for Letter of Recommendation

The Richmond Firefighters Beat the Heat 5K Scholarship Fund annually awards several college scholarship grants. Dependant children of qualifying active sworn or line of duty death firefighters of the Richmond Fire Department are eligible to apply.

These are merit scholarships. The single most important factor is academic achievement, but the all-civilian selection committee also considers many other criteria, including personal character, extracurricular accomplishments, and potential for success.

To assist in the difficult task of choosing the winners, the selection committee requires two letters of recommendation. One must be from a teacher or counselor, and neither may be written by a relative.

Letters should be mailed directly to the Richmond Firefighters Beat the Heat 5K Scholarship Fund at 201 Harwick Dr. Richmond Va. 23236 ph 804-794-1173.

The Deadline is April 15th, 2011.

For Recommenders: Your letter should indicate how long you have known the applicant and in what connection, in what ways has the candidate distinguished himself/herself among their peers. In addition, please comment on the applicant's behavior (respect for others, honesty, integrity, accountability, and leadership ability) you have observed in your organization or community. Your willingness to share your knowledge about the applicant is very much appreciated.



Application
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Please Type or Print

Student Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (H) _____ (C) _____ Date of Birth _____

Name and Assignment of parent who is current RFES employee:

High School _____ Address _____

Date of Graduation _____ Principal _____

College you attend or will attend and expected graduation date

Names and amounts of any college scholarships which you have already won

Honors or awards received in High School or College



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NAME _____

On this page, please list your extracurricular and community service activities.

Name of Organization	Description of Activity	Approximate Dates of Participation	Name and Telephone # of Contact Person



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NAME _____

In the space provided or on a separate sheet, please tell us how you spent the last two summers (or vacations between school years), including any jobs you have held.

Please describe either a field of study or an activity that you hope to pursue in college. Explain briefly why this subject or activity is important to you.
