

BlueStar Scholarships Facts 2023

About BlueStar Scholarships

Lendlease (US) Community Fund (LLCF), an IRS-recognized 501(c)(3) charitable organization, established the BlueStar Scholarships program in August 2012 with the first awards distributed in spring of 2013. Our mission is to provide college scholarships to dependent children of active duty or retired military members who are a High School Senior residing in a Lendlease privatized community or are a current BlueStar scholar. Recipients selected based on financial need, community service, leadership, and extracurricular activities.

The BlueStar Scholarships 2023 program is open and accepting applications from all eligible students through May 31, 2023.

Who is eligible to apply?

Applicants to the BlueStar Scholarships program must:

- 1) Be dependent children of active duty or retired, U.S. military service personnel who reside in a Lendlease privatized community;
- 2) Be current high school senior who plans to enroll in a full-time (minimum of 12 credit hours per semester) undergraduate program at an accredited 2-year or 4-year college or university or vocational-technical school for the fall term of the upcoming academic year; or be a current BlueStar scholar;
- 3) Have at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average (GPA) on a 4.00 scale or its equivalent on student's cumulative high school academic record; and
- 4) Demonstrate leadership through extracurricular activity and/or community service.

What will be awarded?

If selected as a recipient, the student becomes a BlueStar Scholar and receives an award of up to \$5,000 to be used for any educational expenses (i.e. tuition or tuition-based fees). The award paid directly to the school and deposited into the student's account. Awards granted to dependent children for undergraduate study at an accredited 2-year or 4-year college, university, or vocational-technical school and are not for non-degree licensure/certificate programs. BlueStar Scholars are eligible to reapply for future scholarships to cover ongoing academic needs.

Applicants who receive and accept an appointment to one of the U.S. Military Academies (or affiliated preparatory schools) are not eligible to receive funds from this program.

How do I apply?

Please gather and complete the following:

- Thoroughly complete the application.
 - If attaching a resume in lieu of page 2 of the application, please ensure all requested information included.

- Ensure principal or guidance counselor's endorsement on page 3 (applicable to only High School Seniors).
- Ensure all documents required on page 6 included with the application.
- Ensure the student and student's parent/legal guardian have signed page 6.
- Current and complete transcript of grades (grade reports are not accepted).
- If available, a copy of the High School Senior applicant's college entrance test scores (SAT and/or ACT).
- For High School Seniors, at least one (no more than three) signed and dated one-page letter of recommendation from a person in authority at a high school attended by the applicant or from a community organization in which the applicant participates. Letters should cover the applicant's ability, work habits, leadership, personality, integrity, etc.
- An essay (500 words or less, typed and single-spaced) as to the applicant's professional goal(s) and personal development and current progress toward achieving those goals; relate how past, present, and future activities making these accomplishments probable. Essays should include the applicant's name and signature at the bottom of the page(s).
- Acceptance letter(s) for college, university, or vocational institution. If not available, please note this on your application then send once received.
- Postmarked or email stamped by May 31, 2023.

Ensure applicant's name is on each page of each document and program preference to email application and supporting documents to BlueStar@lendlease.com.

Otherwise, send via USPS; FedEx; or UPS with tracking option to:

Lendlease (US) Community Fund
 Attn: BlueStar Scholarships
 1201 Demonbreun Street, Suite 800
 Nashville, TN 37203

Applicants should make a copy for their records as all submitted applications and associated documents will become the property of BlueStar Scholarships and will not be returned. Additionally, BlueStar Scholarships is not responsible for lost applications.

When is the application deadline?

Applications including all required documents must be postmarked or email date stamped by May 31, 2023.

How are recipients selected?

Scholarship recipients selected based on financial need, acceptable scholastic merit, demonstrated leadership and participation in school and community activities, a statement of goals, and unusual personal or family circumstances.

The BlueStar Scholarships Selection Committee will review all applications and select award recipients. Decisions of the selection committee are final and are not subject to appeal. The program is competitive and not all applicants will be selected as recipients.

How and when will the award recipient be notified?

Winning applicants will be notified on June 30, 2023. An award notification will be sent via email to the email address provided on the student's application.

What are a recipient's responsibilities upon notification of being awarded a scholarship?

- Upon receipt, recipients must complete and submit the BlueStar Scholarships acceptance form by the indicated deadline. Details will be provided in the award notification email to recipients.
- Provide college/university's acceptance letter, if not already submitted or enrolled in higher education institution, by the deadline indicated in the BlueStar Scholarships acceptance form.
- Recipients must notify their college/university/technical school about the award.
- As soon as available, a copy of student's fall class schedule clearly showing student's name and student identification number is due on August 7, 2023, unless reason for delay communicated. Online print screen copy will be accepted if name & ID number are visible.
- Recipients must send a final tuition bill online print screen copy will be accepted if name & ID number are visible reflecting balance due by August 7, 2023. If final bill is not available by this date, notify BlueStar Scholarships via email and include expected receipt date.
- Scholarship checks will not be mailed to the school until the final tuition bill and class schedule received.
- Once documentation is received by BlueStar Scholarships and your final tuition payments are due before August 21, 2023, please see next paragraph.
- Recipients must immediately notify BlueStar Scholarships at BlueStar@lendlease.com of any changes in address, school enrollment, or other relevant information and send a complete/final transcript if/when requested.

How and when are scholarships paid?

Upon receipt of the final tuition bill and class schedule, scholarships are paid in one lump sum with checks made payable to the applicable college/university/technical school. On August 21, 2023, scholarship checks will begin to be mailed to the appropriate office of the recipient's designated college unless an earlier date is required and communicated. The scholarship recipient must notify BlueStar Scholarships should any changes occur in address, school enrollment, or other relevant information after the application submitted.

Questions? Contact us

If you have any questions, please email us at BlueStar@lendlease.com. Please be sure to list on subject line "BlueStar – Your Name". You may also contact the BlueStar Scholarships Coordinator by phone at (615) 963-2770.

BlueStar Scholarships awards are made without regard to race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, religious belief, disability, national origin, or service of the sponsor. BlueStar Scholarships reserves the right to review the conditions, criteria, and procedures of this scholarship program and to make changes at any time including termination of the program.