



The John A. Kirkpatrick Memorial Scholarship Guidelines

Scholarship Information

The John A. Kirkpatrick Memorial Scholarship was established at Community Foundation of the Lowcountry in 2016 by his family to provide annual scholarship awards to assist qualified recipients in pursuit of a post-secondary education. The purpose of this scholarship is to fund members or past members of the United States Marine Corps who have been based in Parris Island, SC. There is a preference for applicants who have lived in New Jersey.

Eligibility Criteria

- Currently serving or one who can demonstrate prior service in the USMC, having been based out of Parris Island
- Must demonstrate acceptance into a post-secondary institution
- *Preference may be given for students who have resided in New Jersey*

Application Requirements

1. A completed online scholarship application.
2. Typed essay (approximately 500 words) explaining why you want to continue your education and how that aligns with your future goals.
3. Resume which includes military service
4. One recommendation letter completed by an adult non-family member, uploaded to the scholarship portal via third party email
5. Selected finalists may be asked to attend a personal interview with the Scholarship Advisory Committee.

Scholarship Type	Nontraditional Student - Undergraduate/Post-Secondary	How to Apply	Click Here
Award	Varied, may have multiple recipients	Deadline	Rolling

Selection of Recipients

The Scholarship Advisory Committee shall select recipients (subject to approval by the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry Board of Directors). Scholarship funds will be awarded to cover educational costs for: tuition/fees, room and board, and books. Specific costs to be covered will be at the discretion of the Scholarship Advisory Committee. Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age, or national origin.

Announcement of Scholarship Awards

The Community Foundation of the Lowcountry will send an official award letter and related information to each recipient. A public announcement of scholarship recipients may be arranged by the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry. Recipients may be further recognized through Awards Day programs at their schools.

Distribution of Scholarship Funds

The Community Foundation will advise all scholarship recipients of the distribution method of scholarship awards and review the students' responsibilities to the Scholarship Program they have been selected for. These responsibilities may include sending transcripts at the end of the year for renewable scholarships, and providing notification of all address changes or changes in student status or enrollment. In accordance with the Community Foundation's policy, scholarship funds will be paid in the form of a check made payable to the college/school of the scholarship recipient. Checks will be mailed to the college/school. Notification of payment will be sent to the scholarship recipient.