





BlueStar Scholarships 2019 Fact Sheet

About BlueStar Scholarships

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

The 2019 BlueStar Scholarships program is open, and we are accepting applications from all eligible students through **May 20, 2019.**

Who is eligible to apply?

Applicants to the BlueStar Scholarships program must:

- Be dependent children of active duty, U.S. military service personnel who reside in a Lendlease privatized community; and
- 2) Be current high school seniors who plan to enroll in a full-time (minimum of 12 credit hours per semester) undergraduate program at an accredited 2- 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; and
- 3) Have at least a 2.00 cumulative grade point average (GPA) on a 4.00 scale or its equivalent on their cumulative high school academic record or 3.0 on college academic record.
- 4) Demonstrate leadership through extracurricular activity and/or community service.

What will be awarded?

If selected as a recipient, the student will become a BlueStar Scholar and receive an award of up to \$5,000 to be used for any educational expenses (i.e., tuition or tuition-based fees). The award will be paid directly to the school to be applied to the student's account. Awards will be granted to dependent children for undergraduate or graduate study at an accredited 2- or 4-year college, university, or vocational-technical school and are not for non-degree licensure/certificate programs. BlueStar Scholars will be 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 is included.

- Ensure have principal or guidance counselor's endorsement on page 3 (applicable to only High School Seniors)
- Ensure all documents required on page 5 are included
- Ensure you and your parent/legal guardian have signed page 5.
- Current and complete transcript of grades (grade reports are not accepted).
- Copy of applicant's college entrance test scores (SAT and/or ACT) or current college transcript.
- 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
 current progress toward achieving those goals; relate how past, present, and future activities make the
 accomplishment of this goal 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 20, 2019.

Ensure applicant's name is on each page of each document and mail to:

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

Applications and supporting documents can also be emailed to BlueStar@lendlease.com.

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 20, 2019.

How are recipients selected?

Scholarship recipients are 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 I be notified?

All applicants will be notified on June 24, 2019. Notification will be sent via email to the email address provided on their application.

What are a recipient's responsibilities upon notification of being awarded 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 letter to recipients.
- Provide school's acceptance letter, if not already submitted or enrolled in higher education institution, by the deadline indicated in the BlueStar Scholarships acceptance form.
- A photo should also be returned 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 but no later than the August 5, 2019 tuition bill due date. Online print screen copy
 will be accepted if name & ID number are visible.
- Recipients must send a final tuition bill reflecting a balance due by August 5, 2019. If final bill is not available
 by this date, then 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 are received.
- Once documentation is received by BlueStar Scholarships and your final tuition payments are due before August 16, 2019, please see next paragraph.
- Recipients must immediately notify BlueStar Scholarships at <u>BlueStar@lendlease.com</u> 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 will be paid in one lump sum with checks made payable to the applicable college/university/technical school. Checks will be mailed to the appropriate office of the recipient's designated college no later than August 16, 2019. It is the recipient's responsibility to notify BlueStar Scholarships should any changes occur in address, school enrollment, or other relevant information after the time this application was submitted.

Questions? Contact us

If you have any questions, please email us at <u>BlueStar@lendlease.com</u>. Please be sure to put as the subject line of your email "BlueStar – your school location / 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.