Firefighter Behavioral Health Alliance
2021-2022 Scholarship Program

Firefighter Behavioral Health Alliance Scholarships provide higher education financial assistance to the children, spouses and partners of firefighters who took their lives. Jeff Dill, founder of Firefighter Behavioral Health Alliance, has created a scholarship program in memory of those who have struggled with personal issues in their lives and felt suicide was their only way to remove their internal pain and suffering. For over 11 years FBHA has devoted their efforts to educating firefighters and EMS personnel on suicide prevention and awareness.

FBHA's commitment and leadership in the industry has led to developing this scholarship program for surviving family members. The previous program awarded all of the funds donated specifically for the scholarships in memory of family members below:

2. Firefighter Scott Charles Bellucci Scholarship - Awarded November 2015 - Seth Livengood
3. Firefighter/Paramedic Todd A. Diercks Scholarship - Awarded October 2019 - Danielle Rebensdorf
4. Firefighter Timothy J. Karnisky Scholarship - Awarded April 2019 - Elizabeth Henderson
5. Firefighter Michael Bonanno Scholarship - Awarded August 2018 - Alice Peterson

In 2021, FBHA updated the perimeters for the Scholarship. The $1,000.00 Scholarship will be awarded once a year to one candidate. The candidate can receive the award one time. All the funds for the Scholarship is from general donations, fundraisers and revenue from workshops, consulting and donations for merchandise.

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<td>Funding for scholarships are made possible by generous donations from the public and private organizations, fundraisers specifically held for the FBHA scholarship program, as well as a percentage of funds provided by workshops, presentations and consulting approved by the Board of Directors of Firefighter Behavioral Health Alliance.</td>
<td>Candidates seeking a FBHA Scholarship award must complete an application form and forward it to the FBHA Scholarship Panel by the closing application date. Applications may be downloaded from the Firefighter Behavioral Health Alliance website at <a href="http://www.ffbha.org">www.ffbha.org</a> or obtained from FBHA at: FBHA Scholarship Application 1440 State Hwy 248, Suite Q #462 Branson, MO 65616 Or: Email to: <a href="mailto:info@ffbha.org">info@ffbha.org</a>.</td>
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<td>One scholarship for $1,000 will be awarded per one school year. Candidate can only receive it one time.</td>
<td>Application closing date is December 31, 2021. All applications and supporting materials must be mailed to FBHA Scholarship Program postmarked on or before this date.</td>
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<td>Scholarship awards will be announced once they have been approved.</td>
<td>Application for scholarship must include: (1) A completed FBHA Scholarship Application form (2) A brief essay (no more than 500 words typed), prepared by the applicant, on the following topic:</td>
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<td>Scholarship awards will be made directly to the applicant’s college for the upcoming academic year, upon verification of enrollment in a university or post secondary institution (may be a certificate or degree granting institution).</td>
<td>Having had a suicide impact your family, how would you use your experience to promote prevention and awareness to others?</td>
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<td>Applicant must be the natural or legally adopted child, spouse or partner of a firefighter or EMT who died by suicide.</td>
<td>Applicants will be assessed and awards granted based on the following criteria:</td>
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<td>There is no age restriction.</td>
<td>(1) All information provided in the application.</td>
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<td>Applicant must possess:</td>
<td>(2) The thoughtfulness of the applicant’s essay and its relevance to the topic.</td>
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<td>A high school diploma or equivalent, or In the final year of high school.</td>
<td>(3) Provide official high school or college transcripts with a minimum 3.5 GPA.</td>
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Name: ____________________________________________  
    First Name ___________ Initial ___________ Last Name ____________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________
    Street ___________________ City ___________ State ___________ Zip Code ___________

Email address: ______________________________________________

Telephone: ( ) _______________  Birthdate: ___________  Age: ______

Name of firefighter/EMT relative who died and your relationship to the deceased:

________________________________________________________

Rank: __________________________  Career  Volunteer  Paid on Call (Circle one)

Name of Fire/EMS Department: ________________________________________________

Name of high school or college currently attending:

________________________________________________________

School Address
    Street ___________________ City __________________________

Name of university, accredited college or school of higher learning you plan to attend:

________________________________________________________________________

School Name

________________________________________________________________________

     School Address

     Street ___________________ City, State and Zipcode __________________________

Applicants must also attach a brief essay (no more than 500 words typed) and transcripts.

Signature of Applicant ______________  Signature of Parent or Guardian ___________ Date ___________

(If Applicable)

Return completed application and all required information to:
FBHA Scholarship Selection Panel, 1440 State Hwy 248, Suite Q #462, Branson, MO 65616

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