Police Officer's and Fire Fighter's Survivor Tuition Grant

Fact Sheet for Academic Year 2019-20

Description

The Police Officer's and Fire Fighter's Survivor Tuition Act (STG) provides for the waiver of tuition at a Michigan community college or public university for children and surviving spouses of Michigan police officers and fire fighters killed in the line of duty. The program is intended to provide an educational benefit to the spouse and children of police officers and fire fighters who made the ultimate sacrifice for their communities and the citizens of Michigan.



Application

Students must complete an application annually. To complete a new application or check the status of an existing application, the student can log into the MiSSG Student Portal at www.michigan.gov/missg.

Eligibility

To be eligible for award, a student must:

- Complete a current-year STG application.
- File a current-year Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Be the spouse or child (natural or adopted), of a deceased Michigan police officer or fire fighter who was killed in the line of duty.
- A child must have been younger than age 21 at the time of the police officer's or fire fighter's death.
- Be certified by the financial aid officer of the participating institution that the STG waiver is needed to meet tuition expenses.
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Not have a bachelor's degree.
- Be enrolled in at least six credit hours at a participating institution.
 - All participating institutions are listed on the last page of this Fact Sheet.
- Be a Michigan resident.
 - If a dependent student, parent must also be a Michigan resident.
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or approved refugee.
- Be an undergraduate student.
- Not be in default on a Federal student loan.
- For renewal, meet institution's Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) policy.

Program Limits

Tuition may only be waived for courses applicable toward the certificate or degree in which the applicant is enrolled. MI Student Aid shall determine if the applicant is eligible for a tuition waiver based upon the application and supporting documentation submitted by the applicant.

It is the responsibility of the college financial aid office to coordinate all sources of aid for which a student may be eligible. Tuition may be waived only to the extent that the tuition is not covered or paid by any other scholarship, trust fund, statutory benefit, or other source of tuition coverage.

Program eligibility ends when a student receives a bachelor's degree, after completing the equivalent of nine semesters (124 semester hours) or 14 terms (180 term hours), whichever comes first.

Current and future awards are subject to available and approved funding.

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| Participating Institutions | | |
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| ALPENA COMMUNITY COLLEGE | KELLOGG COMMUNITY COLLEGE | NORTH CENTRAL MICHIGAN COLLEGE |
| BAY COLLEGE | KEWEENAW BAY OJIBWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE | NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY |
| BAY MILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE | KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE | NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE |
| CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY | LAKE MICHIGAN COLLEGE | OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE |
| DELTA COLLEGE | LAKE SUPERIOR STATE UNIVERSITY | OAKLAND UNIVERSITY |
| EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY | LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE | SAGINAW CHIPPEWA TRIBAL COLLEGE |
| FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY | MACOMB COMMUNITY COLLEGE | SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY |
| GLEN OAKS COMMUNITY COLLEGE | MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY | UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - ANN ARBOR |
| GOGEBIC COMMUNITY COLLEGE | MICHIGAN TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY | UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - DEARBORN |
| GRAND RAPIDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE | MID MICHIGAN COLLEGE | UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - FLINT |
| GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY | MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE | WASHTENAW COMMUNITY COLLEGE |
| HENRY FORD COLLEGE | MONTCALM COMMUNITY COLLEGE | WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE |
| JACKSON COLLEGE | MOTT COMMUNITY COLLEGE | WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY |
| KALAMAZOO VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE | MUSKEGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE | WEST SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE |

- Awards are based on the college listed on the current-year's STG application.
- The student is responsible for notifying MI Student Aid of any changes of address or college choice.
- It is the responsibility of the student to be informed of all eligibility requirements and program rules.

Questions? Visit <u>www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid</u> or contact us at: Phone: 1-888-447-2687 | Email: mistudentaid@michigan.gov | Fax: 1-517-241-5835