

The Western New York Law Enforcement Helpline Scholarship

The WNY Law Enforcement Helpline provides 24/7 confidential assistance, information and referral by trained Police Peers and Family Peers to working and retired law enforcement officers, dispatchers and their families. In an additional effort to provide assistance to law enforcement officers and their families, the Helpline has established an annual scholarship of \$1000.00. This scholarship is intended for a graduating high school senior who is the child of a current or retired law enforcement professional.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Must reside in WNY.
- Must have at least one parent who has worked in any law enforcement field.
- Must be a senior in high school.
- Must plan on attending a two or four year college or university full time.
- Must have a minimum high school cumulative GPA of 80%.
- Must plan on majoring in a helping field such as criminal justice, mental health, education or medical field.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicants are evaluated on the following:

- Academic Record
- Community Service
- Essay

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Submit completed application to the WNY Law Enforcement Helpline, P.O. Box 1014, Buffalo, NY 14220. Must be postmarked no later than **January 15, 2024**
- Attach official high school transcript with cumulative GPA
- Please submit an essay with a maximum of 650 words using one of the following topics::
 - What factors influenced your decision to choose your major, and how do you plan to apply the knowledge you gain in college to better serve your community?
 - Growing up in a family involved in law enforcement can have both positive and challenging impacts on your life. Please describe how growing up in a law enforcement family has impacted your life.
 - Describe a significant obstacle you have successfully overcome and explain how it has contributed to your personal development.



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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Name	
Address	
Phone #	
Birthdate	
Parent/Guardian Name	
Email Address	
Parent's Name, who is either retired or employed in a law enforcement field, and the name of their current or previous employer.	
ACADEMIC INFORMATION	
Name of High School	
College Choice #1	
College Choice #2	
Anticipated Major	
Cumulative GPA	
ACTIVITIES	
Community Service	
Extra Curricular/Sports	
Work Experience	