Mayor's Victim Assistance Advisory Council
Survivor Scholarship

Purpose

Survivors of crime often struggle to rebuild their lives and regain a sense of dignity after the victimization. This scholarship is designed to recognize and assist individuals in achieving self-efficacy by furthering their goal of achieving an education. The *Survivor Scholarship* is funded by proceeds from the annual Victims Rights' Luncheon and is awarded to a resident of Jacksonville, Florida who has been impacted by crime.

Eligibility

This scholarship provides financial support and encouragement to an individual who is.
either a primary or secondary survivor of a violent crime (including, but not limited to, homicide, aggravated assault/battery, sexual violence, domestic/dating violence, and stalking) or family member of a missing person.
Other criteria include:

1) Current Duval County resident
2) Victimization or missing status must have occurred in Jacksonville, Florida (Duval County)
3) Currently accepted or enrolled in a college/university or career school with satisfactory achievement (in good standing)

The scholarships can be used for tuition assistance, room and board support, books and supplies at accredited two and four-year colleges and universities and recognized career (trade, technical or vocational) schools. The funds will be dispersed directly to the educational institution for the next term.

The Scholarship recipient will be acknowledged during the Victims' Rights Week Luncheon.

Direct questions to Susan Davis at (904) 255-3321 or Vaac@coj.net

Submit completed applications by 5:00p.m. February 26, 2027

Via US Mail to:
City of Jacksonville
Mayor's Victim Assistance Advisory Council
Attn: Survivor Scholarship
1809 Art Museum Drive, Suite 100
Jacksonville, Florida 32207

Via email to:
Attn: Survivor
vaac@coj.net

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VAAC Survivor Scholarship Application Form

Applicant Information ***Complete the application in Word Document. Handwritten applications and letters will not be accepted.***

Name: _____

Street Address: _____
(No P.O. Box)

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Applicant Information

School/College/University: _____ Student ID Number_____

Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Major/Course of Study: _____

Program or Degree: ❒ Certification ❒ Diploma ❒ Undergraduate ❒ Graduate

Classification/Program Year _____

Anticipated Date of Graduation (Month/Year): _____ GPA _____

Application Checklist

- Signed application form.
- A letter on official letterhead from staff member/volunteer of a criminal justice/ victim serving agency or a school counselor/representative who can document your victimization status and any accomplishments.
- A one-page personal statement describing "*Why you should be chosen to receive this scholarship."*
- An acceptance letter or enrollment verification that includes documentation of satisfactory performance from a two or four-year accredited college or university or recognized career school (technical or vocational school).

My signature below certifies the information provided in this application packet is true. I am aware the information provided will be verified.

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Applicant Signature Date