



The LCpl Matthew R. Rodriguez Memorial Foundation

Official Scholarship Application

The LCpl Matthew R. Rodriguez Memorial Foundation is a non-profit organization formed in memory of Matthew R. Rodriguez, a 2012 graduate of Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School. Matthew proudly served in the United States Marine Corps and courageously paid the ultimate sacrifice in 2013. His service to the United States of America is one of honor and valor. The Memorial Foundation serves to celebrate and support the community Matthew valued.

Criteria:

The LCpl Matthew R. Rodriguez Memorial Foundation encourages all high school graduates to pursue their goals and dreams in higher education. The Foundation is offering two (2) scholarships, valued at \$1,500 each, to deserving applicants that are pursuing full-time college/university or trade school education. Applicants are asked to submit a 1-page essay answering the following:

Who is your hero and how does he/she inspire you?
What are your future goals and past accomplishments?

In addition, please see below for additional requirements.

Applicant Information:

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Are you the child of an active duty, active reserves, veteran, disabled or retired Military personnel?

Yes

No

If yes, for which branch did they serve? _____ Dates of Service: _____

GPA Information (verification required by Advisor or Faculty Member):

Overall Grade Point Average: _____

Faculty Signature: _____

Faculty Title: _____ Phone Number: _____

School Information:

College/University/Trade School Name: _____

Degree: _____ Enrollment Date: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____



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**** Applications must be postmarked by May 15, 2020. ****

Applications must include three (3) stapled sets of the following; and be mailed to the address listed below:

- Completed application form
- Two (2) one-page recommendation letters
- One (1) page typed essay answering the following questions:
 - Who is your hero and why do you look up to him/her?
 - What are your future goals and past accomplishments?
- Copy of school transcript (high school or college/university/trade school, if already enrolled)
- Copy of college/university/trade school acceptance letter

Please send completed application and required documents to:

The LCpl Matthew R. Rodriguez Memorial Foundation

PO Box 358

Raynham, MA 02768

Applications and supporting documentation may alternatively be scanned and emailed to:
info@thesmilingwarrior.org

Questions? Please contact:

Scholarship Committee: lisa@thesmilingwarrior.org

Foundation website: www.thesmilingwarrior.org

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Scholarship recipients will be asked to supply their Social Security number to the LCpl Matthew R. Rodriguez Memorial Foundation.