

MASSACHUSETTS PUBLIC SERVICE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

PURPOSE: In recognition of the hardship a family experiences upon the loss of a parent and/ or spouse killed or missing in the line of public service duty, Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 15A, Section 16 authorizes a Public Service Grant Program to provide educational opportunity to the remaining family members.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Complete a Public Service Grant Application, and submit the necessary documentation. You must also file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

- A. For a child or widowed spouse of a Massachusetts Police Officer, Firefighter, or Corrections Officer whose death occurred in the line of duty, submit a certificate from the Massachusetts Retirement Board.
- B. For a child of a Prisoner of War, Military or Service person missing in action in Southeast Asia between February 1, 1955 and the termination of the Vietnam campaign, or veteran who was killed in action or who died as a result of such service, submit the following:
1. **Copy of your birth certificate.**
 2. **Copy of Veteran's death certificate.**
 3. **DD214 Form to show Veteran's service was credited to Massachusetts. You may obtain this form from your local Veteran's Administration Office.**
 4. **Proof that Veteran's death was service connected. You may obtain this from :**

**The Veteran's Administration Regional Office
J.F. K. Federal Building
100 Cambridge Street
Boston, MA 02203**

FIRST TIME APPLICANTS ONLY

Please complete the application and provide all the supporting documentation that is requested. It is your responsibility to provide all the necessary information. You must also file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The Office of Student Financial Assistance reserves the right to request additional documentation if necessary.

RENEWAL APPLICANTS ONLY

To renew your grant each year, contact the Office of Student Financial Assistance for a renewal application for the Public Service Grant Program. You must also file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Submit the application and all supporting documentation to:

The Massachusetts Office of Student Financial Assistance
Public Service Grant Program
454 Broadway, Suite 200
Revere, MA 02151

DEADLINE IS MAY 1, 2010

The May 1st deadline applies to new applicants only.

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RENEWAL APPLICATION**

2009-2010 ACADEMIC YEAR

Applicant Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Social Security #: ____/____/____

Telephone #: _____

Expected Month and Year of Graduation: _____

During the 2009-2010 Academic Year, I will be attending:

Fall 2009 Name of College City/Town State Zip

Spring 2010 Name of College City/Town State Zip

YOU MUST FILE A 2009-2010 FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT ASSISTANCE (FAFSA)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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