

## Financial Assistance for Eligible Children of Veterans

By Senator Scavello

PEN ARGYL - As the school year approaches, the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs reminds veterans with children that financial assistance is available to those attending post-high school education or training at an approved institution in the commonwealth through its Educational Gratuity Program.

The program supports children of honorably discharged veterans who have 100% service-connected disabilities and served during a period of war or armed conflict, or children of veterans who die or died in service during a period of war or armed conflict. To be eligible, a child of a veteran must be between the ages of 16 and 23, living within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania five years prior to application and must attend a school within the commonwealth. All applicants must have a financial need.

Payments will not exceed \$500 per term or semester per qualified child to each approved educational institution over a total of eight terms or semesters. For more information about the program's criteria, eligibility and needed documentation, go to Educational Gratuity Program.



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