



ARROYO FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Background:

Darwin Arroyo is a Sunrise Police Officer and was infected by the Corona Virus during the outbreak in 2021. He became very ill and was close to dying from the virus. By the grace of God, Darwin not only survived but has made a complete recovery which was truly unexpected. During his hospital stay Darwin was treated with great kindness and compassion from family friends and even complete strangers. He and his family now feel the need to return this outpouring of love with a program to aid other Public Servants, Police Officers, Firefighters and their families afflicted with injury, sickness or even death.

Values of Candidates:

We are looking for public servants and/or students who are family members of public servants (Police/Fire) who suffered hardships due to injuries or sickness, or whose families have suffered due to injuries, illness or even the death of a public servant and have used that trauma as inspiration to pursue a purposeful life.

Criteria for Eligibility:

1. Must be a family member of a Police or Firefighter public servant (Spouse, Father, Mother, Son, Daughter, Uncle, Aunt, Cousin, Niece, Nephew, Grandson, Granddaughter)
2. Public servant was either injured or incapacitated in the line of duty; or suffered an ailment or illness that greatly affected them or their family.
3. Must submit a personal essay explaining their relationship to the public servant; how the injury, illness or death inspired them to pursue a purposeful life; and how they intend to spread kindness, compassion, and generosity to others upon completing their particular field of study.



Applicants name (print): _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: _____

Select and **Circle One**: Male / Female

E-mail address: _____

Parent/Guardian name (*if minor*): _____

Cell phone number: _____

Place of employment: _____

Rank: _____ G.P.A. _____ Volunteer hours: _____

Nature of Illness or Injury sustained: _____

Supervisors name (*if applicant is the public servant*): _____

Phone Number: _____

Supervisor E-mail: _____

My signature below indicates that the information in this packet is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature: _____ **Parent Signature:** _____

PERSONAL ESSAY

Make sure to include a personal essay of why you feel you deserve this scholarship. Describe the public servant's ailment and long term prognosis.

The following essay criteria do not need to be in any particular order, but you must ensure that all criteria are met before submission.

- 1) The essay must be no more than three (3) pages. Your essay should be typed and double-spaced on standard-sized paper (8.5" x 11"), with 1" margins on all sides.
- 2) You must describe your relationship with the public servant. (Or that you are the public servant)
- 3) How their injury, illness or death inspired you.
- 4) Why you believe public servants are important to society.
- 5) Your intended field of study.
- 6) How you plan on spreading kindness, compassion and generosity upon completing your studies.
- 7) Though volunteer hours are not a prerequisite to obtaining the scholarship, please include how many public service hours you have completed and where.

**Deadline: Scholarship application must be received
by *June 30th, 2025***

**Please send via U.S. Postal Mail to:
Arroyo Family Charitable Organization, Inc.
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