



## NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

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The Student Nursing Scholarship Program has been an integral part of the VFW Auxiliary Organization for a long time. Focus has been and continues to be on assisting and helping nursing students meet their goals in the nursing profession.

Living in the age of COVID - there is a different path that must be traveled when honoring the nurses that are facing this uphill battle. Nurses face a test each day that few of us will ever experience.

Now more than ever, the appreciation and honoring of nurses is so vital. The risks that are taken by Nurses today is far greater than what we realize or can imagine.

Sadness has become a part of any Nurse or Doctor's life and to carry that with them daily is so very difficult.

Each of us who has experienced COVID know first-hand that every possible means to help a patient has been and will continue to be the goal of nurses and honoring them in some way is such a small task when nurses give everything.

Applications can be found in the Program Book, along with requirements that must be met. Applications must be submitted with a postmark no later than May 1, 2022 and submitted to the Department Nursing Chairman.

Nursing is no longer a self-sustaining program. Auxiliaries should donate a minimum of \$15.00. Checks should be made out to the Department of Texas – **earmarked Nursing Program**.

As Program Chairman, I will contact the Directors of all accredited nursing education schools and provide them with all the details and requirements and ask that they make this information available to all their junior nursing students.

### **Statewide Project**

Access to honor nurses as was done in the past, is not feasible right now. Honor them in a different manner. Collect water to be dropped off at facilities, collect snacks that can be put in a pocket, put together Nurses Survival Kit (zip lock baggie with mints, gum, lip balm, life savers, granola bars, etc.) and distribute to the facilities to be used by nurses dealing with COVID. Keep track of what has been done and report what was done.

### **Awards**

1. Plaque to Auxiliary in each Membership Division with **Best Honoring the Nurses and Recognizing Nurses**.
2. Plaque to Auxiliary in each Membership Division with **Best Statewide Project – Nurses Survival Kit**.

**“We Tip Our Hats To Vets”**

**“Soaring Above & Beyond”**

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### DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS VFW AUXILIARY

#### Scholarships to be awarded

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	\$2,000
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	\$1,500
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	\$1,000

#### Scholarship Application requirements:

1. Nursing Student who will be accepted as a Nursing Senior for the Fall of the 2022-2023 Academic Session.
2. Must be attending a Texas College or University. GPA of 3.0 or better (verification needed, current transcript required).
3. Must be a U.S. Citizen.
4. Double-spaced typewritten essay, 300 words or less on *“Having chosen the career in nursing...what impact do you feel you can have on veterans and their families?”*
5. Complete application (included in Department of Texas VFW Auxiliary Program Book or from a local Auxiliary).
6. Current Transcript (GPA included)
7. 2 Letters of Recommendation from Current Clinical Instructors
8. Completed application packets must be postmarked and mailed by May 1, 2022.

#### **Application mailing information:**

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For additional information please contact the Department Chairman