

College Fee Waiver Program



The California College Fee Waiver program benefits spouses and children of U.S. veterans. Students meeting the eligibility criteria may get their college tuition fees waived if they attend a California Community College, a California State University or a University of California campus.

Most eligible students will qualify for the program under either "Plan A" or "Plan B." Medal of Honor recipients and their children and dependents and survivors of permanently disabled National Guard members may qualify under different plans.

How to Apply . . .

- The application form is available online at <u>www.cacvso.org</u> or at your local County Veterans Service Office.
- Complete and return the application to the County Veteran Service Office along with:
 - Proof of income for Plan B: Copy of previous years' tax return form, such as IRS form 1040EZ or similar State form, or a statement of non-filing from the IRS or California Franchise Tax Board.
 - Proof of relationship to veteran: Copy of birth certificate, if step child, parents marriage certificate.

Plan A

Who Qualifies:

- The child of a disabled, or whose
- The spouse or veteran who is 100%
- The unmarried wartime veteran



wartime veteran who is 100% service-connected death was officially rated as service-connected registered domestic partner (RDP) or a wartime service-connected disabled. surviving spouse or un-terminated RDP of a whose death was service connected.

Under Plan A:

- There is no income limit.
- Children must be between 14 and 27 years of age, or between 14 and 30 years of age if the child is a veteran.
- There is no age limit for spouses, surviving spouses or RDPs.
- Benefits cannot be awarded if student receives Chapter 35 VA benefits.
- Surviving spouses and un-terminated RDPs must not have remarried.
- Date of veteran's service-connected death or 100% disability rating must occur prior to child's 21st birthday.

Plan B

Who Qualifies:

 The child of a veteran who has a service-connected disability or had a service-connected disability at time of death or died of service-related causes.

Under Plan B:

- There is no age limit.
- Benefit is for children only.
- Child's adjusted gross income plus the value of parental support must not exceed the Census Bureau National Poverty Level. Currently 12,907 per year, 2012-2013.
- Current academic year benefits are based upon the previous calendar year's annual income (2010).
- Benefits can be awarded even if student receives Chapter 35 benefits.
- Wartime service is not required.

For More Information ...

For more information on the College Fee Waiver program, or to apply for a service-connected disability rating from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, please visit the Placer County Veterans Service Office.