



TRAGEDY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR SURVIVORS

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TYPES OF AID



Federal:

Department of Education (FAFSA)

Department of Veterans Affairs

State:

Many states have military and non-military tuition waivers, grants, or benefits

Private:

Private Organizations offer Scholarships

Fry Scholarship (Chapter 33)

- For surviving spouses and children
 - Post 9/11 active duty with favorable Line of Duty.
- Includes 36 months of:
 - Tuition paid to the school
 - 100% of tuition and mandatory fees for public schools (in state and out of state).
 - Up to \$27,120.05 per academic year for private schools.
 - Yellow Ribbon may provide additional tuition for private school tuitions.
 - Basic Allowance of Housing paid to the student (monthly, rate depends on school zip code).
 - Book stipend paid to the student (\$1000/year).
 - Note - the above amounts are based on full-time attendance.

Fry Scholarship (Chapter 33)

- Time Limits (children)
 - If you turn 18 or graduate high school after January 1, 2013: none
 - If you turned 18 or graduated high school before January 1, 2013: age 33
- Time Limit (Surviving Spouses)
 - None - there is no delimiting date for any surviving spouse under Fry.
 - Surviving spouses eligible for both the Fry Scholarship and DEA must make an irrevocable election for the benefit. In almost all cases, Fry is the better option.

Dependents' Educational Assistance (DEA-Chapter 35)

- For surviving spouses and children
 - Line of duty (active duty)
 - Service Connection (active duty or veteran)
 - 100 percent Permanent and Total (veteran)
- For Children and Spouses of 100% Disabled
 - The veteran is permanently and totally disabled due to a service-connected disability
 - The service member is missing in action or was captured in the line of duty by a hostile force for more than 90 days
 - The service member was forcibly detained (held) or interned in the line of duty by a foreign entity for more than 90 days
 - The service member is in the hospital or getting outpatient treatment for a service-connected permanent and total disability and is likely to be discharged for that disability

Dependents' Educational Assistance (DEA-Chapter 35)

- Time Limits (children)
 - As of **August 1, 2023**, NONE! As long as one of these is true:
 - eligibility occurred on or after this date
 - 18th birthday on or after this date
 - completed high school on or after this date
- Time Limit (spouses)
 - If the death or rating occurred on or After August 1, 2023, there is no time limit
 - If the death or rating occurred before August 1, 2023 the time limit is:
 - 10 years from the date of rating
 - If the veteran subsequently dies, there are an additional 10 years from date of death
 - 20 years if the death occurred on active duty
- 36 months of benefits
 - Paid directly to student each month to use for tuition, housing, books, etc.
 - Rate as of October 1, 2023- \$1,488 per month for full time students

Transferred Education Benefits (TEB-Chapter 33)

- For spouses or children who received education benefits from service member.
 - Service member must have transferred the benefit while on active duty.
 - The dependent must have been enrolled in DEERS at the time of the transfer approval.
 - Children can only use the benefits after the service member completed at least 10 years of service.
 - Spouses can use it after 6 years, as long
- Expires when the child turns 26.
- Cannot use at the same time as Fry or DEA
- TEB can be moved amongst dependents based on the families needs.


GI Bill Comparison Tool (Fry & TEB)

School


UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA


CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA


727 GI Bill students ([Learn more](#))

 4 year program


 Large size

 Public school

 Suburban locale

 Regional Accreditation ([Learn more](#))

 <https://www.virginia.edu/>

 Institutional Ownership: N/A

Compare

Your estimated benefits

Note: We round your estimated benefits to the nearest dollar

GI Bill pays to school:	\$20,342/yr
Tuition and fees charged:	\$20,342
Out of pocket tuition:	\$0
Housing allowance:	\$1,980/mo
Book stipend (Learn more):	\$1,000/yr
Total paid to you:	\$18,820

Estimated benefits per term

Tuition and fees ([Learn more](#))

Fall:	\$10,171
Spring:	\$10,171
Total per year:	\$20,342

Housing allowance ([Learn more](#))

Fall:	\$8,910
Spring:	\$8,910
Total per year:	\$17,820


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Tuition and fees ([Learn more](#))

Fall:	\$0
Spring:	\$0
Total per year:	\$0

Housing allowance ([Learn more](#))

Fall:	\$6,696
Spring:	\$6,696
Total per year:	\$13,392

Department of Education

- **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**
 - Pell Grant \$7,395 per year
 - Federal Pell Grant under a Special Rule (formerly the Iraq & Afghanistan Service Grant)
 - Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant \$100-\$4,000 per year
 - TEACH Grant
 - Student loans
- **FAFSA** may also qualify a student for:
 - School Scholarships
 - State-based benefits

Additional Information

- There are 15,754 surviving spouses and minor children residing in Virginia (As of October 1, 2023)
 - 5th most in the country behind Texas, Florida, California and North Carolina
- BAH is only paid for the days attended so typically August/ December/ January/ May are only partial payments.
- VA Pays in arrears, first “full” payment would be October 1st.



QUESTIONS?