



# VFW Selects 85 Student Veterans to Receive 'Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarships'

## Over \$360,000 awarded for 2015 fall semester

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**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. (VFW) is proud to announce that 85 service members and veterans have been named 2015 fall semester scholarship recipients courtesy of VFW’s “Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship” program. These student veterans will receive over \$360,000 in combined aid.

[Click here](#) to see a complete list of the 2015 fall recipients.

Enacted in 2013 through the VFW’s long-standing relationship with Sport Clips Haircuts, the Help A Hero Scholarship program provides service members and veterans with the financial assistance needed to complete their educational goals without incurring excessive student loan debt.

The successful Help A Hero Scholarship program has awarded over \$1.2 million in financial aid and has provided scholarships to almost 300 service members and veterans to date.

Military educational benefits often run out or fall short of covering the full costs of a college education leaving many student veterans without a degree. The Help A Hero Scholarship program helps fill those gaps and provides student veterans the chance to achieve their academic and career goals.

Scholarship recipient Alfonso Rodriguez writes, “When a veteran comes home from war there are many obstacles we face. At the top of our list are how to support our families and how to finish our education. Many do not complete their education due to finances. I am very thankful to know there are people who sincerely appreciate the sacrifices [made by] the military men and women who serve this great nation.”

Help A Hero scholarships are awarded twice throughout the year exclusively to service

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members and veterans and help cover the cost of tuition and fees. Scholarship applications are currently being accepted for the 2016 spring semester. For more information on the Help A Hero Scholarship program or to apply, [click here](#).

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