Checklist for

Pennsylvania Educational Gratuity Program

Philadelphia Veterans Advisory Commission is happy to provide you with this convenient checklist for your Educational Gratuity Program application.

If you would like assistance gathering these documents, or have questions, please call one of our benefits advisors at **(215) 686-3256**.

Where to Apply:

Contact the County Veterans' Affairs Director in the county you reside to apply for this program. See list included with this checklist.

Veteran's eligibility criteria:

- ❍ Died in service during a period of war or armed conflict ***or***,
- ❍ A veteran who has:
  - » An honorable discharge from the U.S. military
  - » Served during established war service dates as determined by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. ***The following decorations can also be used to establish wartime service: Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal or Navy Expeditionary Medal*
- ❍ Veteran must have a 100% permanent and total service-connected disability rating by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

Child's eligibility criteria:

- ❍ Must be between the ages of 16 and 23, living within the Commonwealth five years prior to application and must attend a school within the Commonwealth.
- ❍ Applicant must have a financial need.

The Following Documents are Needed:

- ❍ Need a copy of last military service DD214 or Military Death Certificate of the sponsoring veteran
- ❍ Copy of birth certificate of applicant
- ❍ Proof of identification (driver's license, voter registration, etc.)
- ❍ Proof of Pennsylvania residency for last five (5) years

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