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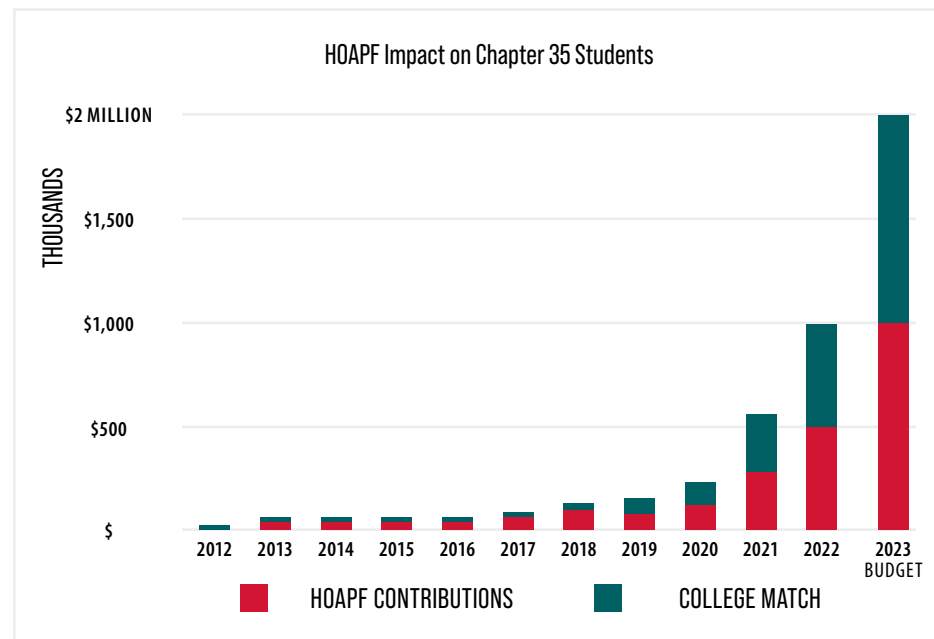
DEA Chapter 35 Student Scholarships

Honoring Our Past to Build for Our Future

Honor the Veteran. Educate their Legacy.

The Heart of America Patriot Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides scholarships to the dependents of deceased or 100% disabled veterans by partnering with post-secondary education institutions that match its funds. These scholarships support DEA-Chapter 35 qualified students enrolled part- or full-time who demonstrate unmet financial need.

Making an Impact



Empowering Families

The Heart of America Patriot Foundation envisions a nation where service members and their families are recognized and honored in all aspects of life; a future where the children and spouses of those who have given everything for our country are empowered to become the next generation of leaders through higher education. By providing the opportunity to pursue a debt-free college education, we offer more than words of thanks to our military families.

I am a single mother raising three children. This scholarship will not only help me fulfill a dream, but it will allow me to become independent and provide a future for my children. The words 'thank you' seem inadequate to express my gratitude.

— Nicole F.



Many Teams. One Mission.

With the help of HOAPF scholarships and donor matching funds, qualifying students are given personalized support via financial assistance for tuition, fees, supplies, meal plans, emergency aid and other essential needs. In an effort to instill a sense of lifelong empowerment and success, the University of South Dakota will provide a \$1,000 scholarship to each recipient. This award will be "on top" of any other scholarships/benefits children and spouses of Veterans receive.

This partnership model provides maximum impact by doubling donor dollars and allowing schools to better serve their military-connected students facing financial hardship. It is our goal to create a heightened level of care and support, ensuring a better overall experience for students as they receive not only financial assistance but also the assurance that they are valued and supported by their community.



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