



## Student Financial Services Children of Fallen Heroes Scholarship Application

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Under this scholarship, a Pell-eligible student whose parent or guardian died in the line of duty while performing as a public safety officer is eligible to receive a maximum Pell Grant for the award year for which the determination of eligibility is made.

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Be eligible for the Pell grant and have a Pell eligible Expected Family Contribution (EFC) higher than \$0
- Be under 24 years old OR enrolled in college at least part-time at the time of the parent's or guardian's death

### **For purposes of the Children of Fallen Heroes Scholarship, a public safety officer is:**

- As defined in section 1204 of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3796b); or
- A fire police officer, defined as an individual who is serving in accordance with State or local law as an official recognized or designated member of a legally organized public safety agency and provides scene security or directs traffic in response to any fire drill, fire call, rescue or police emergency, or a planned special event.

### **COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION**

1. At time of death my parent or guardian served in as a public safety officer in the following capacity:  
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2. Date of Parent/Guardian's Death (**please attach proof**): \_\_\_\_\_ (If applying due to the death of a step-parent, a copy of a marriage certificate indicating the step-parent's marriage to the biological parent is also required.)
3. Please check only one of the following options:
  - ☐ I was 23 years of age or younger when my parent or guardian died.
  - ☐ At the time of my parent or guardian's death, I was age 24 or older and was enrolled at an institution of higher education (**attach copy of an unofficial transcript or grade report**)

### **REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

Verification that parent/guardian died in the line of duty while serving as a public safety officer:

- a) A determination letter acknowledging eligibility for certain federal benefits under the Public Safety Officers Benefit (PSOB) program administered by the Department of Justice; OR
  - b) A written letter of attestation or determination made by a state or local government official with supervisory or other relevant oversight authority of an individual who died in the line of duty while serving as a public safety officer as defined above; OR
  - c) Documentation of the student qualifying for a state tuition or other state benefit accorded to the children or other family members of a public safety officer consistent with the definition in 42 U.S.C. 3796b, or as a fire police officer as noted above; OR
  - d) Other documentation from a credible source, subject to school determination, that describes or reports the circumstances of the death and the occupation of the parent or guardian
- ☐ I submitted proof of eligibility in a prior year and remain eligible this year.

*I certify that the above information and attached documentation are true and correct, and that I qualify for this scholarship.*

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_