American Legion Post 522 Youth Grant Program

American Legion Post 522-Hubertus WI has established the Youth Grant Program to encourage and mentor the next generation into becoming responsible citizens and to reward those who have demonstrated a continued sense of service to our Post and our community. Grant funds are available to youth related to a Post 522 Member and to the youth of our partner civic organizations: Hubertus Boy Scouts Troop 139 and 165 and West Bend Civil Air Patrol Squadron.

Grant funds may be used towards any youth development camp, workshop, seminar, activity, post-secondary education (college, trade school, tech school), or American Legion program (Boys State, Girls State, Boys Nation, etc.). Meritorious grants may also be awarded to candidates who have earned their Eagle Scout Rank in Boy Scouts, or the Civil Air Patrol Eaker Award or Spaatz Award. Any affiliated program or event is eligible so long as it aligns with the values of The American Legion: https://www.legion.org/vsa.

The Grant Committee will review submissions and select candidates periodically throughout the year. Grants may be awarded to a single recipient or to groups as the committee may decide. Grant funds are limited so not all qualified candidates may be selected. All decisions of the Grant Committee are final. Candidate submissions will not be returned. Candidates will be notified of the Grant Committee decision via email.

Eligibility: To be eligible for a grant, a candidate must meet the following qualifications:

- 1. Affiliation:
 - a. Be a child or grandchild of a current member of Post 522 (Legion, Aux, SAL).
 - b. Be an active member of Hubertus Boy Scout Troop 139 or 165.
 - c. Be an active member of the West Bend Civil Air Patrol Squadron.
- 2. Be between age 10 and 20 years old at the time of the grant request.
- 3. Have served or supported Post 522 at fundraisers, community events, or other activities within the past 12-months, or have demonstrated a history of community service in keeping with the values of The American Legion.
- 4. Have maintained good academic standing, whether in high school or post-secondary education.

Required Information:

- 1. Copy of current/most recent transcripts or equivalent documentation showing good academic standing.
- 2. Letters of recommendation from community leaders (Scout/Squadron/Community/Youth leader, Pastor, charity organizer, etc.). Letters from family members not accepted. No more than 2 letters please.
- 3. A descriptive letter sharing how the grant funds will be used and how the education or experience will contribute towards positive youth development and/or community service. Be sure to list how you're connected to American Legion Post 522. Also list any Post 522 activities you've served at and other community service you've taken part in.

Other Important Information:

- 1. Grant amounts up to \$2,000 per person can be awarded by consent of the Grant Committee. Amounts exceeding \$2,000 require Executive Committee approval.
- 2. Grant requests for general organizational use are not allowed under this program but can be requested by contacting the Post Executive Committee.
- 3. Submissions are reviewed periodically at no set interval. If your request requires more timely consideration, please indicate "Urgent" and provide a brief explanation and include your requested decision date on your submission form.

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Please include this completed form with all other required submission materials.

Candidate Name:		
Parent/Guardian Name: (if under age 18)		
Address:		
Candidate Birthday:		
Contact Phone Number:		
Contact Email:		
Post 522 Sponsor Name:		
Requested Grant Amount:		
Statement of Accuracy: I hereby affirm that the information provided by me as part of this submission is true and correct. I understand that if chosen as a grant recipient, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration before grant funds will be awarded. Funds will normally be dispersed to the recipient's institution, group, or event sponsor. I consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the American Legion Post 522 Youth Grant Program.		
Signature of scholarship applicant:	Date:	_
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Additional copies of his form can be downloaded from http://tinyurl.com/ypwtfrpp

Email your questions or submission to sdetroye@gmail.com. Include "Post 522 Youth Grant Program" in the subject line and include your name and phone number in your message. All messages received will receive an acknowledgement or reply.