



National Association of Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers Motorcycle Club (NABSTMC)



2024 Scholarship Program
Tallahassee, FL Chapter
Edwin Arthur Bethea Scholarship
<https://bsmctally.com>

The philosophy of the National Association of Buffalo Soldiers and Troopers Motorcycle Club is:

- To promote the history of African American veterans
- To be a positive role model for youth in our community
- To support our veterans by visiting local veterans their families and supporting our fallen heroes
- To support charitable organizations in our community
- To uphold the traditions and standards of the National Association of Buffalo Soldiers and Troopers Motorcycle Club
- To promote motorcycle safety in our community

The National Association of Buffalo Soldiers and Troopers Motorcycle Club (NABSTMC) is comprised of five (5) Frontiers (Northeast, Southeast, Great Lakes, Central, and Western), which encompasses 35 states to include Hawaii with an international Chapter located in Germany. There are over 113 Chapters organizational wide.

The Edwin Bethea Scholarship honors the memory and dedication of NABSTMC Tallahassee Chapter member Edwin Arthur "Bravo 6" Bethea. He was a proud graduate of Florida A&M and a commissioned 2nd Lt. in the US Army. He faithfully served our country for 20 years, including three tours of duty in Vietnam. He retired from the military in 1981. Mr. Bethea embarked on a 20-year career with the Leon County Public School System as a teacher and administrator. He served as the first African American principal of Cobb Middle School and, subsequently, principal of Griffin Middle School. This scholarship serves as financial assistance to offset the cost for graduating high school seniors attending secondary institutions.

Scholarship Details:

The NABSTMC Tallahassee, FL, chapter will select three scholarship recipients. The first-place award recipient will receive \$2500, second place will receive \$1500, and third place will receive \$1000. Scholarships will be awarded based on a completed application packet. The NABSTMC Tallahassee Chapter will mail funds on behalf of the student upon verification of acceptance and enrollment to a postsecondary institution on behalf of the student. The NABSTMC Tallahassee Chapter will disburse funds.

Instructions for candidates:

Completed applications and required documents must be attached as MS Word documents or scanned in a PDF format in ONE (1) PDF file. *JPEG and GIF image formats will be rejected.*

The following are required to complete your application:

- Applicant must be an eligible Graduating High School Senior/GED recipient during the 2023-2024 academic school year who will be attending a postsecondary institution, with a minimum unweighted, cumulative GPA of 3.0., meet the application requirements, and deadlines.
- Attach or scan the completed application only (typically page 3 through page 5); do not include the general information pages and instructions pages.
- Unofficial High School Transcript, Home School transcript, or GED Certificate.

- A 500-word essay on the topics described below
- Letter of recommendation on official letterhead from a teacher/guidance counselor/school administrator and/or employer (for GED).
- Letter of recommendation on letterhead from a community service organization
- A letter of acceptance to an institution of higher learning
- Signed Release Form (enclosed)
- Parent's signature if a student is under 18 years old
- Prepare a letter of introduction, who you are, your accomplishments to date, your family background, and the degree/certificate to which you are seeking. Provide a summary of how you plan to use the scholarship if selected. Also, incorporate, how this scholarship would benefit you in giving back to your community.
- Recent professional head-shot photo (In Good Taste)
- Provide Student's name, the complete name and address of the school and/or financial aid office where the student will be attending school, and the student ID number.

Essay Topics:

Write a 500-word essay (typewritten) on one of the following topics:

****Do not write about the National Association of Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers Motorcycle Club****

- A. What impact did the Buffalo Soldiers make in war and/or peacetime? Why is it necessary to pass this legacy on to future generations?
- B. Provide specific examples of how the Buffalo Soldiers facilitated the development of roadways, national parks, and mail service.
- C. The Medal of Honor is presented to the recipient by the President of the United States in the name of Congress. Please provide a brief narrative regarding a Buffalo Soldier who received this honor and what can be learned from their life, efforts, and commitment to duty.

Submit Application:

Applications may be downloaded from <https://bsmetally.com>. Under the tab scholarship/charities, you will find the application. Completed applications and required documents must be attached as MS Word documents or scanned in PDF format, in ONE (1) PDF file and emailed to tallybsmc@gmail.com on or before the stated deadline of **April 15, 2024 at midnight**.

Please use the subject line: **"2024 Edwin Arthur Bethea scholarship along with your full name"**.

You will receive an acknowledgment of receipt for all submissions. **Please notify the chapter using the contact link on the website if acknowledgment of receipt is not received within 24hrs.**



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2024 Application

Application Deadline: April 15, 2024 at midnight

Name of local National Association of Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers MC Chapter: _____

Contact Information:

First Name:		Last Name:	
Address:			
City:		State:	
Zip Code:		Email:	
Home Phone:		Cell Phone:	
Date of Birth:			

Academic Information:

High School Name:		City / State	
Graduation Date:			

College Information (If you have not finalized your college choice, provide your first-choice school.):

College Name:		City / State:	
Institution Type: Certificate Four-Year Two-Year:			
Degree Sought: Associates Bachelors Certificate			
Major:			
Anticipated Graduation Date:			

Photo Goes Here



Applicant Service, Extracurricular Activities, and Work Experience:

Use this space to provide the applicant's volunteer service, extracurricular activities, and work experience during the applicant's academic career. **Do not attach a resume in lieu of completing this form. It will not be reviewed.**

Description			
Total Hours or Average Hours per week:		Are you still participating? (yes/no)	
Start Date:		End Date:	
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Terms & Conditions:

I, _____, certify, to the best of my knowledge, that the information on this application is complete and accurate. Falsification of any information will cause my disqualification from the scholarship competition.

(1) It is my responsibility to make sure the application process is complete, and the entire application packet is sent or scanned to the National Association of Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers Motorcycle Club Tallahassee Chapter by the required deadline. If not, the application may be disqualified from the scholarship competition and may not be considered for an award.

(2) This application, upon receipt, becomes the property of the program sponsor.

I agree that, if selected as an award winner for the National Association of Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers Motorcycle Club Tallahassee Chapter Scholarship Program, the program sponsor or its agents may use my name and likeness and any other information or materials provided in connection with this program for purposes of news, publicity, and advertising in all media, including but not limited to print and electronic media, press releases, internet, websites, and video media.

To comply with the provisions of the Family Educational and Privacy Act of 1974, I hereby grant permission for school officials to release secondary school records and other requested information, if necessary.

If you are under 18, your parent or guardian must also agree to these Terms and Conditions.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent Signature: (if applicable) _____

Chapter: TALLAHASSEE

Chapter Verifier Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

Date Received: _____