Dear Scholarship Applicant:

Thank you for inquiring about the Tenth Mountain Division Foundation Scholarship Program. The WWII 10th Mountain Division Veterans established scholarships based on financial need for their children, grandchildren, great grandchildren or for those legally adopted. At this time, only one descendant per veteran may receive scholarship benefits. The Foundation proudly continues this legacy through offering three scholarship opportunities:

1. Upperclassman or graduate student scholarship
2. Community college scholarship
3. Charles A and Loyola M Murphy Endowed Scholarship for the Study of Military History*
   * (the only one not requiring direct lineage to a 10th WWII veteran)

If you are graduating from high school and are a descendant of a WWII 10th Mountain Division Veteran, we encourage you to pursue the Pat Finn-Thornton Descendants scholarship. Link: http://10thmountaindivisiondescendants.org/DescendantsScholarship12016.pdf

Current or former 10th Mountain Division (10th Light) members and family are encouraged to pursue scholarship opportunities available through the National Association of the 10th Mountain Division. Link: http://www.nnycf.org/scholarships/applications/

Financial Need
The Tenth Mountain Division Foundation awards scholarships based on financial need. The responsibility for obtaining a determination of financial need through the accredited college or university’s financial aid officer rests with the student. The “remaining amount of financial need” provided by the college financial aid officer will be verified by the Foundation.

The letter from the financial aid officer of the college or university must accurately state:
1. Total school costs, identifying tuition, books, and other related academic expenses.
2. School-determined family contributions.
3. School-determined contributions from the student’s own resources.
4. Awards, grants or other outside contributions.
5. Remaining amount of financial need.

Responsibility for student loans accepted by the applicant will be considered part of qualifying need if such acceptance is indicated on the institution’s financial assessment letter.

Tenth Mountain Division Foundation Scholarship
This scholarship provides up to $5,000 for an academic year for qualifying undergraduate juniors or seniors, or graduate students for full-time study at an accredited college, university or other comparable institution. Awards are based on descendancy, financial need, and the knowledge, understanding, and support of the 10th Mountain Division history demonstrated by the applicant. If more than five qualifying applications are received, a lottery system determines awardees.

**Boddington Scholarship**
In addition to the traditional scholarship, one scholarship may be awarded in honor of William Boddington (biography provided). The $1,250 scholarship is awarded to a uniquely deserving upperclassman with outstanding community service history and demonstrates the ideals and character valued by this scholarship. Please note achievements must be supported by appropriate documentation and an additional expository essay is required.

**Community College/Professional Program Scholarship**
Scholarships will be available to students pursuing education through community or junior college or accredited professional programs. The $2000 total scholarship will be dispersed to the accredited school in $500 amounts for maintaining 12 units/hours per semester. Accredited Trade or Vocational programs resulting in a certificate will be considered. This scholarship may serve as a bridge to application for the traditional upperclassman scholarship.

**Charles A. and Loyola M. Murphy Endowed Scholarship for the Study of Military History**
This scholarship is a gift of the Murphy Family and provides a maximum of one $5,000 award annually to one selected post-graduate level student with high academic qualifications beginning or currently pursuing post-graduate study in military history. The focus of study must directly relate to the U.S. Army’s 10th Mountain Division and affiliated units, from 1941 through the current active-duty actions, or to the post WWII contributions of these soldiers.

**Checklist**
To avoid rejection of your application, please review the checklist provided to insure you have enclosed all required documentation. Incomplete applications will not be considered. The application packet must be completed and postmarked by April 15. Scholarships for the academic year will be awarded by August 1.

**Major Donors to Scholarship Fund**
We are fortunate that many donors have contributed significantly to our scholarship fund over the years to honor individual veterans and units of the 10th Mountain Division. A designated donations list is available upon request.

Sincerely,

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President, Tenth Mountain Division Foundation, Inc.