Purpose:

To provide financial support to spouses and children of public safety officers who were killed in the line of duty and who worked or lived in Wake County, North Carolina.

Eligibility:

* A spouse or a child of a public safety officer who was killed in the line of duty and who worked or lived in Wake County since 2001.
* Must make first application before 28th birthday in the case of a child.
* Must be enrolled or accepted as a student for admission in a college, vocational training school, or other education institution approved by the Scholarship Committee of The 200 Club.
* May apply for a scholarship in later years subject to satisfactory academic performance.

Funding:

* Funding for scholarships will come from the general assets of The 200 Club. At the beginning of each fiscal year (July 1st to June 30th), the Board shall establish a budget for scholarships for that year. The Committee will be able to request additional funding from the Board in a high need year.
* The goal will be to provide financial assistance to each qualified applicant with the suggested sum of up to $5,000 per year (not to exceed a total of $20,000). These suggested sums are cumulative. For example, if a recipient only received $2,500 in his or her first academic year, he or she could receive up to $7,500 of assistance in his or her second academic year.

Administration:

* A Scholarship Committee of at least two (2) individuals appointed by the Board Chairman will be primarily responsible for the scholarship program.
* Applications will be duebefore the beginning of an academic year. The Committee reserves the right to accept applications at other times during the year.
* The Scholarship Committee will be responsible for viewing applications. The Committee reserves the right to hold personal interviews (including any required follow up with the applicant or school) and for awarding the scholarships.
* Awards for the fall semester/quarter will be announced within a reasonable time following receipt of the scholarship application. The check will be made out to the school. When that is not possible, payment will be made to the student or parent upon presentation of a receipt for the expenditure.
* An applicant may request assistance for the second semester/second and third quarters of an academic year. The request must include the amount of assistance being requested and a copy of the applicant’s transcript for the prior semester/quarter. The Committee will act on the request within a reasonable time following receipt of the request.
* The Treasurer will write the checks upon the direction of the Scholarship Committee.
* A student may take a leave of absence from an approved program and reapply for scholarship funding upon their acceptance by the school.
* Financial need is not considered a condition or requirement for application.

Additional Assistance:

* The Committee will develop a list of potential scholarship recipients (spouses as well as children) with addresses and other contact information and will be proactive in reaching out to children who may be completing high school.
* A Committee member will be assigned to each scholarship recipient and be the primary point of contact with the Committee and The 200 Club during the year.
* The Committee will research and communicate other resources available to the spouses and children of public safety officers who died in the line of duty. Such materials will be available when an individual applies for a scholarship and will be posted on The 200 Club website.

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