



Deputy John C. Mecklenburg Scholarship

The Deputy John C. Mecklenburg Scholarship was created in memory of Deputy John C. Mecklenburg, who was killed in the line-of-duty on July 3, 2011. He was a loving husband and father who believed strongly in helping others in any way he could. The goal of this scholarship is to help another individual become a law enforcement officer in the hope of continuing Deputy Mecklenburg's legacy of helping and protecting others.

The scholarship is available to one student attending the night time PHCC Dade City Police Academy. The scholarship will cover the cost of registration, books/supplies, and uniforms (approx. \$3,500).

Application requirements:

- No adult criminal history or convictions of drug possession and/or use
 - No felony or misdemeanor convictions
 - Minimum age requirement is 25
 - U.S. Citizen
 - High school diploma, GED or equivalent
 - No dishonorable discharge from the U.S. Armed Forces
 - Meet all PHCC Law Enforcement Academy requirements and be accepted to the night academy
 - Pasco/Hernando County residents receive preference; however, consideration will be open to residents of all surrounding counties
 - Preference will be given to students working full-time while attending the night time academy to support themselves and their family while working to become a Law Enforcement Officer
 - 1 page essay, typed and double-spaced
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Please print clearly:

Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

County of Residence: _____ Email: _____

Home/Cell phone: _____ Work phone: _____

Marital status: Married Single Widowed

Do you have any children? Yes No How many? _____

Have you previously attended any Law Enforcement Academy? _____

If yes, please explain. _____

Have you attended and/or graduated from college or another trade school? Please Explain.

Current Employer: _____

Job Title: _____ How long employed: _____

May we contact your employer for a reference? _____

Contact name and number: _____

Previous Employer: _____

Job Title: _____ How long employed: _____

May we contact your employer for a reference? _____

Contact name and number: _____

In addition to your application, please write a one-page essay, typed and double-spaced. Please answer the following three questions:

1. What has led you to seek a career as a law enforcement officer?
2. What do you hope to achieve as a law enforcement officer?
3. What will your philosophy be as you work with and protect the public?

Review Process: Scholarship applications will be reviewed by a selection committee which will consist of Hernando and Pasco community members. The applications will also be reviewed by the selection committee of the PHCC Law Enforcement Academy. Applications must be received no later than January 31, 2012 and the award notification will be made no later than February 22, 2012.

**In the event the scholarship recipient does not, or cannot, complete the academy he/she will be responsible for paying back all costs and fees to the Deputy John C. Mecklenburg Scholarship.

Signature: _____ Printed Full Name: _____ Date: _____

Please mail the completed application and essay to:

The John C. Mecklenburg Scholarship
C/O Hernando County Sheriff's Office
18900 Cortez Blvd.
Brooksville, Florida 34601