

# DOUGLAS WATSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

## APPLICATION FORM

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**ABSOLUTE DEADLINE: March 3, 2021. No incomplete or late applications will be considered.**

Scholarship was established as a memorial to Douglas Dean Watson (1946-2008) by his wife and their children. Douglas Watson was born in Sutherland and grew up in North Platte. He entered the United States Navy, serving in Vietnam. He attended Mid-Plains Community College and Kearney State College, graduating with a Criminal Justice degree. He went to work for the District 9 Probation Office and was appointed Chief Probation Officer presiding over a 17-county area. He served 12 years on the North Platte City Council. He was involved with Employers Support of the Guard and Reserve for over 20 years. He was active in many civic associations and Vietnam Veteran's reunions and activities. During his life he helped a great number of people. Administered by Mid-Nebraska Community Foundation.

**Who may apply?**

- 1) Applicant must be a graduating high school senior or a prior graduate of high school.
- 2) Applicant must intend to study criminal justice at a Nebraska college or university in order to pursue a career in law enforcement or probation.
- 3) Applicant must reside in the Nebraska counties of Arthur, Chase, Dawson, Dundy, Frontier, Furnas, Gosper, Hayes, Hitchcock, Hooker, Keith, Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, Perkins, Red Willow or Thomas.
- 4) Selection criteria also include: education and work plans, character, work history and work ethic; apparent need for financial assistance in paying college expenses, demonstrated interest in criminal justice; potential to benefit from additional education.

**Where can scholarship be used?** At an accredited Nebraska college or university with a program related to criminal justice.

**Number of scholarships and amount?** One \$600 scholarship will be awarded for the coming school year. Scholarship recipient will be notified by mail or e-mail.

STUDENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS FOR NOTIFICATIONS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE \_\_\_\_\_

HOME RESIDENCE IF DIFFERENT THAN ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME & PHONE NUMBER OF RELATIVE OR CONTACT PERSON \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL AND MONTH/YEAR OF GRADUATION \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, TRADE OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL YOU PLAN TO ATTEND \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

YEAR IN COLLEGE THIS FALL (Such as Freshman, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_ ANTICIPATED MAJOR \_\_\_\_\_

CAREER GOAL \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH THIS APPLICATION FORM:**

*(NOTE: No incomplete or late applications will be considered.)*

Use one side only of 8 1/2 x 11" paper. Fasten application securely with a paper clip. Please do NOT staple any portion of application. Include the following in this order:

- 1) Copy of most recent high school or college transcript.
- 2) A one-page Resume listing such things as education, employment, organizational activities, athletics, volunteer experiences, military service, and hobbies.
- 3) A Personal Statement about yourself that may include such topics as your goals, interests, meaningful activities, career plans, and how you plan to finance college education. (Can be brief and in any event no more than 2 pages, double-spaced).
- 4) One or two recent letters of recommendation from unrelated people who can comment on your character and potential.

**Complete application must be delivered or postmarked by March 3, 2021**

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