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

2025 Scholarship Program http://www.nabstmc.com/scholarship

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 and 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, including Hawaii. An international Chapter is located in Germany. There are over 113 Chapters organizationally.

There will be \$18,000.00 per Frontier and a single National Scholarship of \$5,000 to be awarded across the five Frontiers. Each local Chapter, within their respective Frontier, is allowed to send no more than three (3) scholarship application packets to their respective Frontier Scholarship Representative on or before the stated deadline. The NABSTMC will award **\$100,000.00** in scholarships for the 2024- 2025 school year.

The NABSTMC will mail funds, on behalf of the student, upon verification of enrollment and attendance to a secondary/vocational/trade where the student will be attending. Scholarships will be awarded based on a completed application packet.

Each Frontier winner will participate in an interview process and be vetted by the National Scholarship Committee to determine the National Scholarship Winner.

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 2024 Fall / 2025 Summer school year who will attend post-secondary or vocational/trade school in 2025 with a minimum *GPA of 2.0*.
- Attach or scan the completed application only (typically page 3 through page 5); do not include the general information 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 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 you seek. 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 the Student's name, the complete name and address of the school and 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

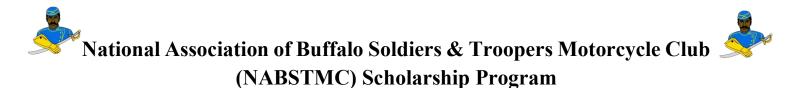
- A. What impact did the Buffalo Soldiers make in war and peacetime? Why is it necessary to pass this legacy on to future generations?
- B. Provide specific examples of how the Buffalo Soldiers facilitated the development of roadways, national parks, and mail service.
- C. The Medal of Honor is presented 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 <u>www.spfldmassbsmc.com</u>. Under the tab scholarship, you will find the application and links to the five (5) Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club Frontiers and local chapter information. 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 the local Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club chapter on or before the stated deadline of April 1, 2025. The subject line is your full name, City and State.

Unofficial transcripts can be scanned in the PDF format. JPEG and GIF image formats will be rejected. Applications must be vetted and forwarded from the nearest local Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club chapterto the Frontier Chairperson.

Local Chapter: **Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club Springfield, Mass** Send to: Michael "Big Cat" Coblyn Email: bigcatbsmc@gmail.com.



2025 Application

Application Deadline: April 1, 2025

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

Contact Information	1:		
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 Vocational or Technical:			
Degree Sought: As	ssociates Bachelors	Certificate	
Major:			
Anticipated Graduation Date:			

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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; instead, complete 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:

To the best of my knowledge, I certify that the information on this application is complete and accurate. Falsifying any information will result in my disqualification from the scholarship competition.

(1) I am responsible for completing the application process, and the entire application packet is sent or scanned to the nearest local National Association of Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers Motorcycle Club Chapter (located at www.nabstmc.com) 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 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 Family Educational and Privacy Act of 1974 provisions, I now grant permission for school officials to release secondary school records and other requested information, if necessary.

Date: _____

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

Applicant Signature:	

Parent Signature: (if applicable)

** Local Chapter/Frontier must acknowledge receipt before sending it to the National Scholarship Committee.

Chapter_____Signature_____