



ICBYR 2025 Scholarship Application Form

Eligibility Requirements: To apply for the ICBYR Scholarship, the applicant must be:

- A military service member or veteran who lives in or has their duty station in Isanti County, or has Isanti County as their home of record if they are active duty.
- The legal spouse of an eligible military service member or veteran. *
- A child of an eligible military service member or veteran *

*If military service member or veteran is deceased, they must have been residing in or had their duty station or home of record in Isanti County at the time of their death.

Note: If you have been awarded an ICBYR Scholarship in the past, you **are not eligible** to apply.

Applicant Information:

Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone Number: (____) ____-____ Cell Phone Number: (____) ____-____

Email Address: _____

Current Year in School: (if applicable) _____

Information on the Post-Secondary School you wish to attend:

Name of School: _____

Address of School: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Financial Office Contact Person Name, Phone & Email: _____

How did you hear about this scholarship opportunity? _____

Instructions:

Please mail or hand deliver the following information to Isanti County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon and include:

- 1) Completed Application Form (this scholarship applies to post-secondary schools only)
- 2) Documentation of the military service member's or veteran's service such as a DD214, NGB22, or orders.
 - a. If you do not have documentation, contact the County Veteran Service Officer in the county where the military service member or veteran lived at the time they were in the service. (If it is within the State of Minnesota, contact Isanti County CVSO Jamie High).
- 3) Your story:
 - a. In essay format, please address the following topics. Essay is limited to 1,000 words, typed, and double-spaced.
 - i. Explain how you meet the stated eligibility requirements. Please include a description of the military service member or veteran (branch & years of service).
 - ii. Describe how you will use this scholarship – school/vocation/college; major/topic of studies; future career goals.
 - iii. Describe your school and/or community involvement. Include hobbies, interests, volunteer work and other activities.
- 4) Your most recent school transcript
- 5) Your employment history (if applicable)
- 6) Three letters of recommendation (from non-relatives). Letters of recommendations from organizations should be on letterhead. All letters of recommendations must be signed and dated within the last 4 months.

Applications must contain all the elements listed above. Incomplete applications will be discarded and not passed on to the Scholarship Committee.

Mailing Address: Isanti County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon, Attn: Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 485, Cambridge, MN 55008

The application deadline is a postmark by March 21, 2025 (or hand delivered to the Isanti County Veteran Service Office in Cambridge by end of business day March 21)

Scholarship winners will be notified by telephone and mail no later than April 7, 2025. Scholarships will be presented at the April 17, 2025 ICBYR Task Force meeting at 7:45 pm. Please keep that date free on your calendar.

Scholarship winners will be featured in the local newspaper and on the ICBYR website. A photo will be requested.

Isanti County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon will release the scholarship money to your school's Financial Office (or student loan company) upon satisfactory completion of the course(s) with a GPA of 2.5 or above. You have three years to use the scholarship money.

Applicants not selected to receive a scholarship will be notified by email no later than April 10, 2025.

Questions? Email: isanticountybyr@gmail.com

Signature: _____

Today's Date: _____