**SPOUSE AND DEPENDENTS INFORMATION**

For more information about Dependent and/or Spouse VA Benefits, please visit [www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov)

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**Post 9/11 Bill Transfer of Benefits to Dependents Information (TEB)**

**Eligibility:**

- Not barred for reenlistment or flagged due to adverse personnel actions.
- Have at least 6 years of service on the date of request.
- Have completed a minimum of six years in the armed forces and agree to serve another four years from the date of request, or
- Have at least 10 years of service on the date of election and not able to commit four more years due to a retention-control point or mandatory retirement date, and commit to serve for the maximum time allowed by either the Retention Control Point or the MRD as the date of request, or
- Have served at least 20 years on or before Aug. 1, 2009, therefore, no additional service required.

**To Apply:**

- The service member (transferor) must apply for the transfer the entitlement with the Department of Defense (DOD).
- Upon receiving DOD approval, the spouse or child (transferee) must apply. The application (Form 22-1990e) can be completed online through [Vonapp](http://www.gibill.va.gov).
- The student must complete all forms as requested by the Veteran Services Office for VA benefits. [Click here](http://www.gibill.va.gov) for the check list of needed items.

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**Survivors & Dependents Assistance (DEA)**

**Eligibility:** You must be the son, daughter, or spouse of:

- A veteran who died or is permanently and totally disabled as the result of a service-connected disability. The disability must arise out of active service in the Armed Forces.
- A veteran who died from any cause while such permanent and total service-connected disability was in existence.
- A service member missing in action or captured in line of duty by a hostile force.
- A service member forcibly detained or interned in line of duty by a foreign government or power.
- A service member who is hospitalized or receiving outpatient treatment for a service connected permanent and total disability and is likely to be discharged for that disability. This change is effective December 23, 2006.

**To Apply:**

- Complete the application (Form 22-5490) online through [Vonapp](http://www.gibill.va.gov).
- The student must complete all forms as requested by the SCC Veteran Services Office for VA benefits. [Click here](http://www.gibill.va.gov) for the check list of needed items.

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Dependent Fee Waiver Application

Eligibility:

- Be a California resident
- Have a parent who is a disabled veteran (0% or more disabled); or
- Have a spouse who is service-connected (S/C) deceased or rated 100% S/C disabled.
- Be a child earning less than $11,702 per year (student's income, not parents'). Note: there is no income limit for a spouse or children of S/C deceased or 100% S/C disabled veterans.
- Attend a California Community College, California State University, or a University of California school.
- The student must meet the in-state residency requirements as determined by the school
- Provide proof of the student's relationship to the veteran such as a copy of a birth or marriage certificate

To Apply:

- To obtain complete eligibility requirements and assistance in applying for these valuable benefits, please contact your local County Veterans Service Office.
- Once the letter of approval is obtained, the letter must be submitted to the SCC Veteran Service Office where the Certifying Official can put it in the system. This form only waives the unit fee.

For more information about Dependent Fee Waivers, please click here.

The Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship

Eligibility:

- Be a child or spouse of a member of the Armed Forces who died in the line of duty on or after 9/11/01
- Must use benefit within 15 years after service members death (spouse) or after 18th birthday (child). Eligibility ends on the child’s 33rd birthday.
- Are entitled to 36 months of benefits at the 100% level
- Child’s marital status has no effect on eligibility, Spouse cannot remarry and maintain eligibility.
- Child may begin receiving benefits before the age of 18 under an approved program of education.
- If service member died between 09/11/2001 – 07/31/2011, child may be eligible to receive both the Fry scholarship and Dependents Educational Assistance (DEA), however benefits cannot be used at the same time and are capped at 81 months of full-time training. If service member died after 08/01/2011 child must choose between the two benefits.
- Surviving spouses may be eligible for both benefits, however, beginning 01/01/2015, spouse must choose between the two, this decision is irrevocable.

To Apply:

- To apply for the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship, please fill out VA Form

For more information about the Fry Scholarship, please click here.