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## **ARMY NURSE CORPS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

### **HISTORY OF THE ARMY NURSE CORPS ASSOCIATION**

In 1976, a group of retired Army Nurse Corps officers gathered in San Antonio, Texas and expressed their desire to continue the camaraderie and close ties of the Army Nurse Corps in retired life and to establish a means of communication by, for and about Army Nurse Corps retirees.

From that dream the Retired Army Nurse Corps Association (RANCA) emerged and was incorporated in 1977. In 2000, the name was changed to the Army Nurse Corps Association (ANCA) to better reflect the composition of the membership.

The primary purpose of the organization is to provide educational and social opportunities for its members. In addition, the organization cooperates with the Chief, Army Nurse Corps in the preservation of the history of the Army Nurse Corps and promotes literary, educational, research, charitable and artistic endeavors.

ANCA publishes a quarterly newsletter, *The Connection*, for its members and holds a biennial convention in even years in different cities throughout the United States.

Our organization consists of Army Nurse Corps officers currently serving on active duty or in active service in the Army Reserve or National Guard. The organization also has members who are retired from active or reserve component service in the Army. Also membership includes former members of the Army Nurse Corps who served on active duty or in an active status in the Army Reserve or National Guard and were honorably discharged.

### **ARMY NURSE CORPS EDUCATION FUND**

The purpose of the program is to award scholarship grants to established and qualified baccalaureate or graduate nursing programs. The educational institution uses the scholarship grants to provide needed financial assistance to nursing students with priority going to the following:

1. Students who plan to enter the Army Nurse Corps on active duty, Army Reserve or National Guard
2. Students who have previously served in the United States Army, Army Reserve or National Guard
3. Army Nurse Corps officers enrolled in undergraduate or graduate nursing programs who are not funded by the United States Army, Army Reserve or National Guard

4. Army Medical Department enlisted members who are working toward a baccalaureate degree in nursing who are not funded by the United States Army, Army Reserve or National Guard
5. Nursing students who have an immediate family connection to the United States Army, Army Reserve or National Guard through current or previous service

## **GRANT APPLICATION TEMPLATE**

**School and Location:** Include a description of the school.

**Agency Accreditation:** Please comment and provide proof that your baccalaureate or graduate nursing program is approved by an agency acceptable to the United States Secretary of Education.

**Internal Revenue Status:** Please comment and provide proof that the college or university has Internal Revenue Service tax exempt status.

**Scholarship Program:** Describe how the scholarship fund, from which ANCA scholarship grants are distributed to nursing students, is under the functional control of the school of nursing.

**Support of Army Nurse Corps Recruitment Activities:** Describe the activities the school of nursing has used to support Army Nurse Corps recruitment.

**Award Criteria:** Describe the criteria the school will use to determine the recipient(s) of the ANCA scholarship grants. In outlining the criteria please consider the priority groups that ANCA has outlined in the purpose statement for the scholarship program.

**Application For Specific Student:** If you are applying for funds for a specific student, provide the students name, how they qualify for the funds, academic successes and current or previous connections to the United States Army. (The scholarship grant will still be made to the school of nursing to be presented to the individual).

**Agreement:** The application should describe the method of notifying ANCA of the recipient(s) of the scholarship funds. The school must agree to allow an ANCA member(s) to attend any event involving the awarding of the scholarship funds.

An application needs to reach our office by 15 May of each year. Awards will be announced as soon as possible after that date. If the school received a grant in the past, you are not precluded from receiving another grant. We will look forward to receiving an application from you. For additional information or questions, please contact [education@e-anca.org](mailto:education@e-anca.org).