



# FACTS AT A GLANCE

## 2020-2021 ACADEMIC YEAR

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### The Nation's Oldest and Largest Provider of Need-Based Scholarships to Military Children

We've been *Honoring Marines by Educating their Children™* for more than half a century.

Founded in 1962, The Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation provides access to affordable education for the children of Marines and Navy Corpsmen attending post-high school, under-graduate and career technical education programs.

In that time we've awarded more than **47,000 scholarships** valued at nearly **\$145 million**.



Over **2,750 scholarships** awarded to recipients from all 50 states, Washington, DC, and overseas

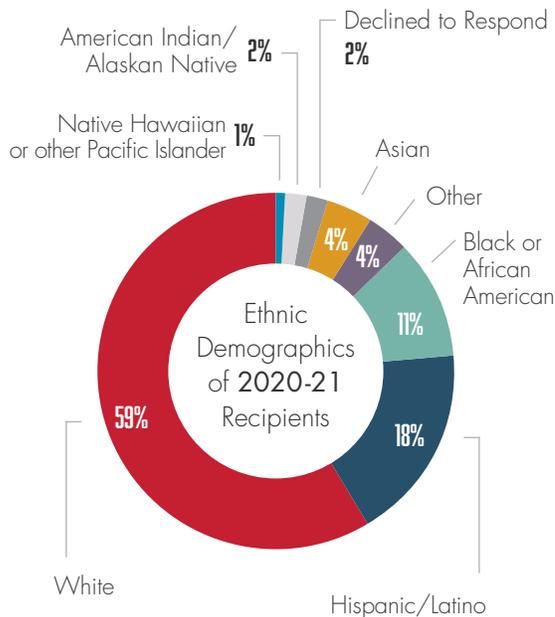


**\$8,500,000** in scholarship support awarded



**100 percent** of eligible applicants receive scholarship support

### How our Scholarship Recipients Compare Nationally



We closely track our demographics to ensure they mirror the population we serve. Our need-based scholarship program is intentionally structured to reach students who have **the most need**, not access to the most opportunity.



**50 percent** of our scholarship recipients graduate with little to **NO** debt (compared to less than 30 percent nationally)



**45 percent** first-generation college students (compared to 33 percent nationally)



**91 percent** of our scholarship recipients graduate (compared to 56 percent nationally)

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For generations, Marines have fought to ensure that we can all pursue the American dream, yet they are finding it increasingly difficult to achieve that dream for their own children.



Average student loan **debt** for today's graduates

**\$30K**

Annual **cost** of attending in-state public college/university

**\$22K**



Average family income among our **Marine families**

**\$62K**

Average **diminished** wages for professionals without a degree

**\$1.3M**

## Scholarship Recipient Highlight



### ELLIOT DANGERFIELD

Shaw University | Class of 2020  
Major: Parks and Recreation Management  
Son of Master Sergeant Elliot Dangerfield USMC

**F**OR MORE THAN 20 YEARS, ELLIOT'S family moved every three to four years. During this time, he drew strength from his connection to the Marine Corps community and

embraced the diversity of his unique childhood.

In 2018, Elliot enrolled at Shaw University, a historically black university, where he studies recreation management and is a collegiate athlete. Elliot told us that today he feels uplifted by the same Marine Corps community that supported his family while he was growing up in the Corps.

He recently wrote, *"I am honored to be receiving this scholarship for a third year as it allows me to focus on my education and push through the challenges. Thank you for investing in my education."*



### EMILY KRUEGER

Monmouth College | Class of 2021  
Major: Biochemistry  
Daughter of Corporal Kurt Krueger USMC (Ret.)

**I**NSPIRED BY HER FATHER, EMILY Krueger never shies away from taking on a leadership role. In addition to being an Honors Student on the Pre-Med track at Monmouth College,

she serves as president or vice president for three on campus organizations: Blue Key, Order of Omega and Kappa Kappa Gamma. She was awarded Greek Woman of the Year for her excellent leadership, academics and service to the community.

After she graduates in May, Emily intends to pursue graduate school and eventually a PhD or medical school. Whichever path she chooses, she hopes to make a difference in the future of the neurology field.

Emily recently told us, *"I am so honored to be a Marine Scholar, and I am so thankful to have this organization as a major support in helping me achieve my dreams and ultimately change the world for the better."*

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