

Scholarships 2021-2022 PurrFect way to get our Youth

**Voice of Democracy**- Grades 9, 10, 11, 12 recorded oral essay, 3 to 5 minutes

Theme- "America: Where do we go from here?"

Patriot's Pen- Grades 6, 7, 8 written essay

Theme- "How Can I Be A Good American?"

Both are due to the local VFW/Auxiliary by October 31, 2021. More information may be viewed at VFW.org under Scholarships. While there, view the "Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen Chairman's Manual"- a resource for reporting, organizing, promoting, and judging criteria.

Young American Creative Patriotic Arts Contest- open to grades 9, 10, 11, 12- National first-place winner \$15,000. A total of \$31,000. is granted at the National level. Original art is due to the local VFW Auxiliary by March 31, 2022.

**VFW Auxiliary National Continuing Education Grant**- Four \$1000.00 Grants, one per conference, the due date is February 15, 2022, to VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters.

**Dept. of Arizona VFW Auxiliary Educational Grant**- One \$1000.00 Grant awarded to an Arizona Auxiliary member wishing to further their educational goals. Due to Dept. of Arizona Scholarship Chairman by April 1, 2022.

**Dept. of Arizona VFW Auxiliary Merit Scholarship**- open to high school Seniors graduating in 2022- son, daughter, sister, brother, grandson, granddaughter of an Arizona VFW or VFW Auxiliary member or Auxiliary member themselves. Due to Dept. of Arizona Scholarship Chairman by April 1, 2022.

Visit VFWAuxAZ.org for links to all available Scholarships.

"Scholarships at a Glance" hand-out- visit www.VFWAuxiliary.org

Remember to thank scholarship entrants, parents, and instructors!

\*Get the Word Out!\* contact \*Schools and JROTC Units\* \*Church and/or Youth Groups\* \*Home-school associations\* \*Parent-teacher associations\* \*Youth Sports Teams\* \*Student Councils\* \*Past entrants\* \*Financial Aid Offices\* \*Back to School events at Office Supply businesses\* \*Meet the Teacher events\*

Your Auxiliary's **Scholarships Project Report** (or several) is WELCOME at any time your Auxiliary does something worth noting. Promote exceptional activities in Media. This new year of challenges will also offer new opportunities in finding Scholarship candidates.

\*Have younger students participate in Patriotic Themed "Illustrating America".

PurrFECTING Care for our Veterans: contact me with questions, suggestions, how I might assist:

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## **Department Awards:**

- \*The most Outstanding Scholarship Projects submitted by Auxiliaries will receive a plaque.
- \*Every Auxiliary that submits a project will receive a citation.

## **National Awards:**

\* Citation to every Auxiliary that promotes the Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest. Auxiliaries must send a Project Report Form to the Department Chairman by March 31, 2022. The form is available on the Department webpage – <a href="mailto:vfwauxaz.org">vfwauxaz.org</a> under Programs/Scholarship.