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The MOAA Scholarship Fund provides financial assistance for students from military families in the form of interest-free loans and grants. Children of active duty, National Guard, Reserve, retired, and former commissioned officers and warrant officers from the seven Uniformed Services (Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, Public Health Service, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration), as well as children of active duty or retired enlisted members of the military are eligible to apply. The MOAA Scholarship Fund provided \$9.2 million in interest-free loans and grants to more than 1,650 military students for the 2008-2009 academic year.

The MOAA Scholarship Fund's educational assistance is awarded based on three areas: academic achievement, outside interests and activities, and financial need. Students compete within their class (freshman, sophomore, etc.) and, if not selected, are encouraged to reapply the following year.

Students who maintain a 3.0 GPA and apply for renewal of their interest-free loan or grant, can expect their educational assistance to be renewed each year for up to five years of undergraduate education, or until they complete their first bachelor's degree. The application for MOAA's educational assistance program is available from 1 November to Noon (EST) 1 March and is only available online at www.moaa.org/education.

Military families can research many other organizations that offer educational assistance opportunities to military children on the MOAA Scholarship Fund website at www.moaa.org/scholarshipfinder. The various eligibility requirements make each unique, but it is well worth the time to investigate each one and apply to those that are applicable.