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## 2025-2026 Parent Killed in Line of Duty

To ensure your privacy, <u>DO NOT</u> submit forms through email.	
Name	Student's ID Number

Forms can be submitted by mail. fax (217/373-3807), or delivered in person.

The FAFSA Simplification Act changes eligibility for what were formerly called Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grants (IASG) and Children of Fallen Heroes (CFH) Awards as well as the resulting award amount.

On your 2025-2026 FAFSA, question 16, Parent Killed in Line of Duty, you responded with a "yes" to the following question:

Was the student's parent or guardian killed in the line of duty while:

- 1. Serving on active duty as a member of the armed forces on or after September 11, 2001, or
- 2. Performing official duties as a public safety officer generally including the following:
  - Law enforcement officer, firefighter, or chaplain,
  - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) employee,
  - Emergency management or civil defense agency employee,
  - Member of a rescue squad of ambulance crew, or
  - Others as defined in the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968.

To qualify you must be able to answer yes to the question above and be less than 33 years old as of January 1 prior to the award year for which you are applying (e.g., for 2025-2026, you must be less than 33 years old as of January 1, 2025, to be eligible).

s your answer to the above question, correct?	
No, my situation does not fit the above question. I understand that the Financial Aid Office correct this response on my FAFSA for me.	wil
Yes, my parent was killed in the line of duty. I will provide supporting documentation from t list below.	he

The Department of Defense is no longer able to provide confirmation that a service member died in the line of duty and there is no comprehensive database that exists, to identify public safety officers killed in the line of duty. Therefore, you are required to verify eligibility by providing supporting documentation to the Financial Aid Office.

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## Acceptable document for an active-duty service member:

A death certificate and one of the following:		
☐ Service member's DD Form 1300 (Report of Casualty) which documents death in the line of duty.		
☐ A signed and dated letter from a military commanding officer attesting the date and cause of death in the line of duty.		
<ul> <li>Service member's DD Form 214 documenting that the date and because of activity duty.</li> </ul>	and cause of death occurred durir	
☐ Department of Veteran Affairs Death Narrative Document.		
Acceptable document for a public safety officer:		
A death certificate and one of the following:		
<ul> <li>□ A determination letter acknowledging eligibility for certain feed Safety Officers Benefit (PSOB) program administered by the □ A written letter of attestation or determination made by a star supervisory or other relevant oversight authority of an individual while serving as a public safety officer.</li> </ul>	e Department of Justice. te or local government official with dual who died in the line of duty	
<ul> <li>Documentation of the student qualifying for a state tuition or children or other family members of a public safety officer.</li> </ul>	other state benefit accorded to the	
☐ Other documentation the school determines to be from a creater reports the circumstances of the death and the eligible occur		
<u>Signatures</u>		
I certify that all the information reported on this form is complete and correct.	WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.	
Student Signature Date	Handwritten signatures are required. Electronic signatures will not be accepted.	

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