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2025-2026 Parent Killed in Line of Duty

**Forms can be submitted by mail, fax (217/373-3807), or delivered in person.
 To ensure your privacy, DO NOT submit forms through email.**

Name

Student's ID Number

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).

Is your answer to the above question, correct?

_____ No, my situation does not fit the above question. I understand that the Financial Aid Office will correct this response on my FAFSA for me.

_____ Yes, my parent was killed in the line of duty. I will provide supporting documentation from the list below.

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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