ThanksUSA is a 501(c)(3) organization that honors the men and women of the United States Armed Forces by providing need-based scholarships and pathways to employment for their spouses and children.

**Program Accomplishments**

ThanksUSA awards nearly $1 million in scholarships each year to help military spouses and children attain their academic goals.

- 2,000 scholarship applications are received annually.
- Since 2006, our scholars have earned more than $15 million in scholarships.
- Scholarship recipients come from each of the 50 states and DC and represent all military branches.
- Our scholars have a 3.8 GPA average.
- More than half of 2019-2020 scholar majors fall into the categories of Health Care and STEM.

**Financial Performance Metrics**

With a four-star rating from Charity Navigator, supporters of ThanksUSA can be confident that their funds will be used effectively. Our fiscal responsibility, financial transparency, and strong governance serve as an excellent measurement of financial health and operational stability. Nearly 90 percent of your contribution will directly support our scholars’ education.

ThanksUSA is funded mostly by contributions and grants (61 percent) from individuals, companies and foundations, as well as by fundraising events (39 percent) including golf tournaments, tennis events and an annual Gala.

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Metrics use averages of three most recent 990s filed with the IRS.
As a military child living on base, Joshua spent countless hours observing various aircraft with wonderment. Joshua has received $9,000 in ThanksUSA scholarships to help realize his dream of becoming a pilot. In 2020, Joshua will graduate from The University of Texas at Austin with degrees in Government and History then begin his career as a Naval Aviator. “I appreciate ThanksUSA’s investment in my education, and one day, I hope to make it easier for the scholars of tomorrow to achieve their own dreams.”

The daughter of a Navy Master Chief, Erin has received ThanksUSA scholarships totaling $9,000 for Nursing studies at Brigham Young University. “It is my heartfelt desire to provide care for patients in underserved areas. I have witnessed life-changing results that advanced treatments can bring to patients, yet access to quality medical care is still a concern for so many people throughout the world.” As the second oldest of six children, the scholarship has allowed her to take advantage of all learning opportunities with less financial pressure on the family.

An Army spouse living in Germany, Tunesha benefits from both traditional classroom learning and online work as she pursues a Computer Science major at the University of Maryland: University College. Tunesha plans to concentrate on Artificial Intelligence to develop safer work environments. “The ThanksUSA scholarship is allowing me to achieve my dream of becoming an AI engineer in the field of Computer Science. What an incredible gift to not only me, but also my small military family!”

ThanksUSA’s small staff is made up of military family members, led by President and CEO Jon Rosa, a military spouse and former service member in the U.S. Navy.

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