



How can you Support the Children of our Disabled and Fallen?

Seek out your local Post and join the American Legion Family in our mission in support of the four pillars.

Provide an individual, organization or corporate donation in any amount to the 2024 Colorado Legacy Scholarship Campaign. Suggested levels are:

- Family Level: \$100
- Campaign Level: \$250
- Americanism Level: \$500
- Patriot Level: \$1000
- Honor Level: \$2500
- Endowment Level: \$5000

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Legion organization or individual contacting you: _____

Make check out to American Legion Riders Post 209 annotated for Legacy Fund.

Provide check to the Legion Organization contacting you or mail to:

American Legion Riders Post 209 Attn:
2024 Legacy Scholarship Campaign, 3613
Jeannine Dr, Colorado Springs, CO 80917

About Us

Since its founding in 1919, The mission of the American Legion has focused on four main pillars:

- Advocating for Strong National Security
- Taking Care of Veterans
- Caring for Children and Youth
- Promoting Americanism, Patriotism and Honor

The American Legion is a 501(c)(19) non-profit Veteran Service Organization. A donor acknowledgment letter and Form W9 will be provided to all donors. Some or all of your Legacy Fun donation may be tax deductible. See your tax advisor for deduction information specific to your tax situation..

American Legion Riders are well known across the nation for their charitable work, which has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars per year for local children's hospitals, schools, veteran's homes, severely wounded servicemembers and scholarships. Since 2006, Riders nationwide have participated in The American Legion Legacy Run to annually raise money for the Legacy Scholarship Fund,

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2024 Legacy Scholarship Campaign

Colorado American Legion Riders

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Make a Difference in the Lives of the Children of our Fallen and Disabled Service Members

American Legion Legacy Scholarship

The American Legion Legacy Scholarship is a nation-wide needs-based \$20,000 scholarship designed to fulfill a financial gap remaining after all federal and state educational grants/scholarships available to an eligible applicant have been utilized. The Scholarship can be used for undergraduate or graduate studies. Recipients may reapply for additional annual awards up to six times

Eligible recipients include the children of U.S. military members who died while on active duty on or after Sept. 11, 2001 and children of post-9/11 veterans having been assigned a combined disability rating of 50 percent or greater by the Department of Veterans Affairs also qualify.

The American Legion Legacy Scholarship helps ensure higher education is a possibility for children who lost a parent to death on active duty, or suffered a service-connected disability rated 50 percent or greater by VA, since the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

2023 Nation-wide American Legion Legacy Scholarship Information

- Total number of scholarships awarded in 2023: 321
- Total amount of scholarship funds awarded in 2023: \$1,484,122
- Total number of scholarships awarded since inception: 825

"This scholarship is special because it helps honor my dad and his service and sacrifices that he's made. It's awesome that I'm able to represent him going forward through this scholarship... I want to say thank you to The American Legion. I really am appreciative of this opportunity and the support, and the belief that I can go on and do good things."
Colton Clay, Colorado Springs, CO, 2023 Recipient for South Dakota School of Mines

Growing the National Legacy Scholarship Fund to Meet the Need

Through year-to-year fundraising, the American Legion can continue to grow the fund and raise the cap, with the objective of being able to award scholarships to all who meet both eligibility and need in a given year. The Colorado American Legion Family has steadily increased their collection efforts year to year. In 2023, a total of \$33,796.81 was presented at the 2023 National convention by the delegation that was in attendance from Colorado. This donation constituted the highest ever annual donation from American Legion in Colorado, exceeding the previous high by nearly \$6000.



2024 Colorado Legacy Scholarship Campaign and Pony Express Run

Colorado American Legion Post families across the state engage in fundraising efforts or contribute to the 2024 fundraising effort in conjunction with their program during the year. The donations received are consolidated at various relay stations across the state.

On July 6th, 2024, Colorado American Legion Riders will conduct the state-wide Pony Express run, riding one of the designated routes to collect donations from each of the relay stations. All routes will reach a central collection point in the afternoon for a campaign celebration and some good old-fashioned fun. The routes, enroute stops and final stop location will be published on <https://alrco.org>.

