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## AMVETS OFFER NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP (For Veterans, including National Guard & Reserves)

AMVETS is proud to announce the establishment of the Dr. Aurelio Cacomo Family Foundation Memorial Scholarship. Two \$3,000 scholarships will be awarded nation wide, per year for the duration of the grant. The scholarships are for veterans, including Guard and Reserve seeking new skills in order to be more competitive in the job market. The one time \$3,000 award may be used for part time or full time undergraduate courses, accredited degree or certificate programs, including online schools. Application deadline is April 15, 2006. Log on to [www.amvets.org](http://www.amvets.org) and click on to this scholarship announcement on the home page for more information.



### REEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE



Employer Support for the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) is a Department of Defense organization. Established in 1972 to promote cooperation and understanding between reserve component members and their civilian employers, and to assist in the resolution of conflicts arising from an employee's military commitment, Wisconsin's representatives are available and ready to assist our service members. Trained ESGR volunteer ombudsmen and National Staff are available to promptly respond to inquiries and conflicts presented by employees and employers. Call 1-800-336-4590 for a local listing of the ESGR offices in your area. More than 95% of all such requests for assistance are resolved in this informal process. You may also log onto [www.esgr.org](http://www.esgr.org) for more information.

### RETURNING VETERANS

VA offers a wide range of benefits for Active Duty, National Guard and Reserve service members who have participated in Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. The VA encourages returning veterans to visit VA's Seamless Transition web site to learn about the VA benefits you have earned and to find links to other federal agencies and organizations that offer related benefits and services. Logon to <http://www.seamlesstransition.va.gov/transition.asp> for more information. Women veterans can visit <http://www1.va.gov/womenvet/> for additional information regarding their specific items of interest. Wounded Warriors (those who have experienced injury) can log onto <http://www.seamlesstransition.va.gov/seamlesstransition/cpfaq.asp> for disability compensation information. *If you need further assistance do not hesitate to call your State Benefits Advisor.*

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