

SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE



Springfield College Fallen Heroes Financial Aid Application Instructions

Purpose: Recognizing the hardship that a family experiences upon the loss of a parent killed in the line of public service duty, the United States Department of Education has authorized schools to award Pell eligible students a full Federal Pell Grant and possible increases to other federal need-based programs to those who qualify beginning with 2018-19. Springfield College will also base our own financial aid award on maximum eligibility to those eligible for maximum Federal Pell Grant.

Children of a Police Officer or Firefighter whose death occurred in the line of duty when the student was 24 years of age or younger or enrolled in an institution of higher education, please submit the following documentation:

1. A copy of the death certificate
2. A copy of the birth certificate or adoption decree documenting the relationship
3. A determination letter acknowledging eligibility for certain federal benefits under the Public Safety Officers Benefit (PSOB) program administered by the Department of Justice

OR

A written letter of attestation or determination made by a state or local government official with supervisory or other relevant oversight authority of an individual who died in the line of duty while serving as a public safety officer as defined above

OR

Documentation of the student qualifying for a state tuition or other state benefit accorded to the children or other family members of a public safety officer consistent with the definition in 41 U.S.C. 3796b, or as a fire or police officer as noted above;

OR

Other documentation from a government agency which you believe describes or reports the circumstances of the death and the occupation of the parent or guardian

Please submit this completed form and all documentation to the Financial Aid Office at Springfield College.

Student Name: _____ SC ID#: _____

Student Signature

Date

Return the completed application to the Springfield College Financial Aid Office
263 Alden Street, Springfield, MA 01109
Fax: 413-748-3462 or scan and email to financialaid@springfieldcollege.edu