

Can the Board help me if:

I Work for the Government?– Yes!

IN-SERVICE TRAINING GRANT

- Applicant must be an active employee of the V. I. Government, must be recommended on a meritorious basis, and must be recommended by the employee's department or agency head.

What is the Summer Grant ?

SUMMER GRANT FOR EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS

- Must be an active Public School educator within the V. I. Department of Education to be eligible to receive this grant. The value of the award is \$500.00 to be used for summer classes relative to their area in education.

COLLEGE ACCESS CHALLENGE GRANT:

This is a University of the Virgin Islands stipulation grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 based on fund availability for which the applicant must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a recent graduate, **first/time freshman**.
- Applicant must be attending college for the first time and has never taken college classes before.
- Must submit a copy of **FAFSA/SAR** report with the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) amount. Applicant must be PELL Eligible-which means that the EFC must range from \$0-\$5,500. (www.fafsa.gov)
- Must have a GPA of **2.0** or above
- Must be accepted to an accredited institution and attending full-time

NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS:

This is a stipulation scholarship based on fund availability; in order to qualify the applicant must meet the following requirements:

- Must be enrolled in a Nursing Program
- Must have a GPA of **2.5** or above
- Must be attending an accredited institution



Virgin Islands Board of Education **VISION**

To ensure that each child is provided with the best quality education which promotes our history and culture, guarantees academic achievement and builds strong communities

The V. I. Board of Education offers four types of Financial Assistance:

1. Territorial Scholarships
2. Special Legislative Grants
3. In-Service Training Grants
4. Summer Grant for Educators

What supporting documents are needed to receive financial assistance?

- Official high school transcript and acceptance letter for first/time applicants
- Official college / university transcript for continuing and graduate students
- Letter of recommendation from department head or supervisor for In-Service training grant applicants

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APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MAY 4th



Virgin Islands Board of Education

**Territorial Scholarship
&
Loan Program**

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SUCCESS**



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Special Legislative Grants

EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

- Child must be suffering from a physical or mental disability
- Child must have demonstrated exceptional abilities and the need for educational training not available within the V. I. public schools.
- The value is \$2,000.00 per year not to exceed four (4) years.

Morris F. de Castro Fellowship:

- There is one award for the St. Thomas/ St. John district and one for the St. Croix district. If the recipient's salary is less than \$45,000.00, he or she may receive the remaining funds in a Loan/Grant formula. A 50% loan/grant evidenced by a promissory agreement and bearing interests at six percent (6%) per annum. Fellowship is awarded for one year. Maximum award \$45,000.00.
- Applicant must be an employee or official in active service of the Government of the V. I. at the time of application.
- Must take one year's leave of absence during the period that the fellowship is awarded.
- Be nominated by either the Governor of the V. I., the President of the Legislature, the Presiding judge of the District/ Supreme Court, Superior court, Magistrate Court, the Administrator of St. John or the head of the applicant's department.

VIRGIN ISLANDS NATIONAL GUARD

This grant is for children, under 25 years of age, of members and officers of the V. I. National Guard who die or sustain permanent total disability in the line of official duty while on territorial active military duty. The award value is for matriculation fees and tuition at the University of the Virgin Islands and not to exceed four (4) years.

POLITICAL/ AGRICULTURAL / VETERINARY SCIENCE/ ZOOLOGY/ ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

- Walter I. M. Hodge --Not to exceed \$5,000.00 per year

POLICE SCIENCE ADMINISTRATION

- Richard N. Callwood --\$625.00 per academic semester
- Ann Schrader (Must be attending UVI) -- \$600.00 per semester for four (4) semesters.
- Mariel C. Newton -- \$3,000.00 for one year

HEALTH RELATED FIELDS:

- Evadney Petersen -- \$2,500.00 or portion thereof, per academic semester

MUSIC:

- St. Thomas/ St. John -- \$2,000.00 for one year
- St. Croix-- \$2,000.00 for one year

EDUCATION : Elementary/ Secondary/ Vocational

- Claude O Markoe -- \$1,000.00 per semester for eight (8) semesters.
- Wilburn Smith -- \$2,000.00 for one year
- Ruth Thomas -- \$5,000.00 per year for two (2) years (must be pursuing graduate studies, and taught a minimum of (5) years in the local VI school system.)
- Kenneth Harrigan --\$7,000.00 per year for four years (must be a male)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- Gene Cerge -- \$1,000.00 for one year

LABOR RELATIONS/ JOURNALISM

- David Hamilton Jackson -- \$1,000.00 per semester for eight (8) semesters

MATHEMATICS/ SCIENCE & COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Amadeo Francis --Not to exceed 2,500.00 per year for one (1) year

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

- Terence A. Todman -- \$5,000.00 per year for two (2) years

GUIDANCE COUNSELING

- Hilda Bastian England --Not to exceed \$5,000.00 per year.

GENERAL MAJORS

- Lew Muckle -- \$3,000.00 per year for no more than four (4) years
- Edward Wilmot Blyden -- \$1,000.00 per year for four (4) years

AVIATION

- Caroline Adams -- \$2,000.00 per semester for eight (8) semesters

VALEDICTORIAN/SALUTATORIAN AWARDS

- Each Valedictorian from an accredited high school approved by the Department of Education shall receive \$1,000.00
- Each Salutatorian from an accredited high school approved by the Department of Education shall receive \$700.00

LOAN/GRANT AWARDS

- Loan grant awards are partial loan and partial grant awards that are paid directly to the applicant.
- All loans are due one (1) year after graduation at an interest rate of 6% and a 2% delinquency rate.

How do I know if I am eligible for a loan / grant?

Applicant Eligibility:

- Must be a bona fide resident of the V. I.
- Must be a graduate from a high school in the Virgin Islands
- Must have financial need
- Must have a cumulative grade point average of no less than 2.0 or 2.5 for Nursing
- Must be accepted to or attending an accredited institution.