

Dee Dowell Memorial Scholarship Recipients

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Incident: 12th Annual Dee Dowell Memorial Scholarship Awards

The Ventura Police Officers Association (VPOA) is pleased to announce the winners of the 12th annual Dee Dowell Memorial Scholarship. The scholarships are to honor Sergeant Darlon “Dee” Dowell, who was shot and killed on August 7, 1978. Sergeant Dowell **is the only** officer in Ventura’s history to die in the line of duty.

In selecting scholarship recipients, the VPOA considered academic achievement, school and community service, financial needs, and the following requirements:

Applicants must:

- Be entering his/her freshman through senior year in college;
- Plan a course of study related to the field of public service;
- Ventura resident or have graduated from a high school in Ventura within the past three years;
- Have a grade point average of 3.0 or better (based on a 4.0 system);
- Maintain a grade point average of 3.0 or better if selected as a recipient;
- Submit a resume of school and community activities, including a copy of transcripts
- Submit an essay of 1000 words or less on “Service, what it means to me”
- Submit a letter of recommendation from a public servant.

2015 Scholarship Award Recipients:

1st Place \$5,000.00 **Joshua Rance**

2nd Place \$3,500.00 **Alex Brunk**

3rd Place \$2,000.00 **Jordan Schindler**

Honorable Mention(s)\$500.00**Jonathan Richmond** and **Aaron Borkovec**

The VPOA would like to thank all of the applicants and congratulate the 2015 winners of the Dee Dowell Memorial Scholarship!

“Be honest, be safe, and look forward to each day.” –Sgt Dee Dowell

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