



# Minnesota Law Enforcement Explorer Association

## Shawn Silvera Memorial Scholarship Application

On September 6, 2005, Lino Lakes Police Officer Shawn B. Silvera was killed in the line of duty while assisting in a high-speed chase on Minnesota Interstate Highway 35W. Officer Silvera was struck by the suspect's car after deploying stop-sticks. He died serving his community; displaying actions that typify what the thin blue line of law enforcement stands for – the threshold between order and chaos. Officer Silvera made the SUPREME SACRIFICE.

Shawn was charitable, living his short life of 32 years in service to others with integrity, devotion, character, compassion and strength. He embodied the powerful message carried by the three simple words “Be Here Now” – savoring daily moments, relishing opportunities to learn and appreciating his gift to help someone in need. In celebration of Shawn's life, and in honor of his sacrifice, we urge you to live the importance of today.

In honor of his service as a Coon Rapids Police Explorer from 1990 – 1994, this memorial scholarship was created by his family and friends.

### The Award

An award of \$ 500.00 will be awarded at the Minnesota Law Enforcement Explorer Conference.

### Who is Eligible?

Any Minnesota Law Enforcement Explorer who is in the 12 grade or in an accredited college program. Candidates will be evaluated according to their academic record, leadership ability, extracurricular activities, and personal statement on “Be Here Now – Live the importance of today.”

### Application Process

- Complete the application. (Please print or type.)
- Be a current or past registered explorer of a Minnesota Law Enforcement Explorer post.
- Completed application must be signed by the applicant and post advisor.
- A 500-word (minimum) essay on “Be Here Now – Live the importance of today”
- A transcript of his/her high school record (if in college, submit both college and high school transcripts)
- Any questions please contact MLEEA Treasurer [Treasurer@mnleexplorer.org](mailto:Treasurer@mnleexplorer.org)

### Deadline

Application and supporting materials must be received no later than April 1.

Send applications to:

MLEEA (Shawn Silvera Scholarship)

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## **Certifications**

### **Applicant**

I certify that the information provided in and with this application is accurate.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Post Advisor**

I hereby certify that this Explorer is/was a registered member of this post.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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