



ADRIAN'S ARMY OF LOVE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Born in California in 2003, Adrian B. Castellanos was a brave, happy, intelligent bright student who relocated to Port Arthur, Tx in 2015 and became a 2021 Bob Hope High School graduate.

When Adrian was 3 years old, he was diagnosed with Cancer-Leukemia. He not only fought once but twice and beat it. He never complained once during his 5-year fight against cancer. As he grew, he not once uttered the word "No", he truly had a kind, loving, heart of gold. Some even say he would have earned a "Purple Heart" because he was a warrior.

Adrian always had a love for animals, in fact, while in treatment he was granted a wish by the Make a Wish Foundation. He wished to see the Dolphins and Whales, they granted his wish and sent him to Sea World, Wild Animal Park and Legoland in San Diego, CA. His closest friends didn't know about his previous cancer battles because that is who he was. Adrian was a humble, kind, compassionate young aspiring Marine Biologist.

Following his graduation from Bob Hope High School, Adrian was accepted at several Universities, after a weekend trip to Galveston he visited Texas A&M, he then decided to decline all other offers and planned to apply there to pursue his passion in Marine Biology. Adrian was enrolled in College at Lamar State College where he was taking his pre-requisites. Adrian obtained his first job as a busser at Seoul Food where he went to work in the evenings. But, for him it wasn't just a "job" he made significant relationships with co-workers and really looked forward to working and enjoyed working there.

Adrian tragically lost his life in a single car accident in Port Arthur, TX on his way back home from work just 5 days shy of his 18th Birthday. Adrian had touched many lives during his short time on this Earth, he put together an entire "Army" which provided much love and support for his mother and family after his passing. **Adrian's Army of Love Memorial Scholarship** was created in his name not only to keep his kind spirit live but to give young aspiring students an opportunity to continue their studies and lessen the financial burden.

*Each year a \$500.00 scholarship will be awarded to each of up to two (2) promising high school seniors who will be pursuing a STEM degree, to assist with costs in attending the college of their choice.

To be considered for the Scholarship applicants must be attending Bob Hope High School. Well-rounded high school seniors who demonstrate a significant commitment of volunteer service to our community are encouraged to apply.

*Awarding of the **Adrian's Army of Love Scholarship** is contingent on several criteria including acceptance to and enrollment in a technical/vocational school, two- or four-year college, and a complete application. Additionally, applicants are required to submit an essay demonstrating their need for financial support, why they want to go into a STEM program and how they can help create a better world. Scholarship recipients are expected to use their resources wisely and uphold a high standard of conduct.

The **Adrian's Army of Love Memorial Scholarship** award is an outright grant. Although recipients are under **no obligation** to make repayment, it is hoped that once graduated and engaged in a productive career they will help honor the memory of Adrian by paying it forward, whether it is planting a tree in his memory, volunteering at a Children's Hospital or offering future students a similar financial opportunity.

How to Apply:

Your complete application, including all attachments, can be submitted electronically by via email to **adriansarmyoflove@gmail.com** with the **name of the scholarship in the Subject line of your email or submitted to the school counselor**. Deadline for filing is **May 1st** of every year. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Your application will be reviewed by members of the Scholarship Committee and the fund holder. Selection will be based on a student's commitment to service in our community, overall academic progress and involvement in extracurricular activities.

Finalists may be contacted for an interview. Students will be notified by email of any scholarship award on or before **June 1st**.

Application Requirements:

- Completed and signed application –emailed with required attachments by **May 1st**.
- High school transcript showing a GPA of at least 3.0.
- A brief description of planned area of study and career goals
- An essay must accompany your application. You will find the essay question below. It must be typed, double spaced using 12-point Times New Roman font and should be no more two pages long.

Essay Question:

Please tell us about yourself, your planned area of study, career goals, describe your need for financial support, why you want to go into a STEM program and how you, as an adult, can help create a better world. This can be through field of study, or personal commitment.

Remember! Keep a copy of your application for your records.

Questions? Call/Text 209-329-3497 or email **adriansarmyoflove@gmail.com**

Email your completed application and any scanned attachments by **May 1st**.



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Applicant Info

Student name: _____ Date: _____

Parent(s) Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Phone number: _____

High School Name: _____ GPA: _____

High School
Honors/Activities: _____

University/College
Attending: _____

Major: _____

Student
Signature: _____

Parent
Signature: _____

Essay

Please tell us about yourself what this scholarship means to you, your planned area of study, career goals, describe your need for financial support, why you want to go into a STEM program and how you, as an adult, can help create a better world. This can be through field of study, or personal commitment.

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Photo Release and Social Media Consent Form

I hereby grant Adrian's Army of Love Memorial Scholarship & Bob Hope High School, its representatives and staff, permission to use and/or publish photographs or videos of myself in print and/or electronically. I understand and agree that these materials will become the property of Adrian's Army of Love Memorial Scholarship & Bob Hope High School and will not be returned. I hereby authorize Adrian's Army of Love Memorial Scholarship & Bob Hope High School to edit, alter, copy, exhibit, publish, or distribute the photograph or video for purposes of publicizing their programs or for any other lawful purpose. In addition, I waive my rights to any compensation arising or related to the use of the photographs or videos. I release and discharge Adrian's Army of Love Memorial Scholarship & Bob Hope High School from any and all claims arising out of use of the photos or videos for any lawful purpose such as for publicity, illustration, advertising, and Web content. Additionally, I grant Adrian's Army of Love Memorial Scholarship & Bob Hope High School, and its agents and employees, the irrevocable and unrestricted right to reproduce the photographs and/or video images taken by me, or members of my family, for the use of publication, promotion, illustration, advertising, or trade, in any manner or in any medium. I hereby release Adrian's Army of Love Memorial Scholarship & Bob Hope High School and its legal representatives for all claims and liability relating to said images or video. Furthermore, I grant permission to use my statements that were given during discussion, interview or other communication, with or without my name, for the purpose of advertising and publicity without restriction. I waive my right to any compensation. In the case of minors, Adrian's Army of Love Memorial Scholarship & Bob Hope High School has my permission to use photo or video of my child or legal custody with all the permissions outlined above. I understand that the images may be used in print publications, online publications, presentations, websites, and social media. I also understand that no royalty, fee or other compensation shall become payable to me by reason of such use.

Student's Name (print): _____

Student's Signature (sign): _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian's Name, if student under18 (print): _____

Parent/Guardian's signature (sign): _____ Date _____