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VyStar Foundation Military Grant Cycle Now Open

Jacksonville, Fla. — VyStar Foundation is now accepting applications from non-profit organizations that support active military, veterans, and their families. Specific funding priority will be given to programs that address food and housing insecurity, provide employment and small business counseling, and mental health services. “VyStar Foundation is committed to supporting organizations that put our military and veterans at the forefront and truly make a difference in their lives.,” said VyStar Foundation President, Patricia McElroy.

The Foundation will consider military grant requests up to \$20,000 from 501(c)(3) organizations and will fund up to a total of \$200,000. The Board of Directors may vary funding amounts and the number of awards depending on the quality and number of applications received.

VyStar Foundation grant application information sessions will be held virtually in March and April:

- Thursday, March 21 – 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 27 – 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 2 – 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Grant applications are due by 5 p.m. (EST) on April 14, 2024. For additional information about eligibility and how to apply, view the [Notification of Funding Opportunity](#) or visit [Grants | VyStar Foundation](#).

VyStar Foundation is dedicated to doing good and leading by example through collaborative partnerships that support military members and veterans, youth, and overall community vitality in the areas served by VyStar Credit Union. VyStar Foundation supports nonprofit organizations in Georgia, North and Central Florida. Since its inception, the foundation has had a total impact of nearly \$1 million.

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About VyStar Foundation

As VyStar Credit Union's philanthropic arm, VyStar Foundation was established in 2021 to strengthen the credit union's ability to do good. Operating as a 501(c)(3) charity, the Foundation is dedicated to doing good and leading by example through collaborative partnerships that support youth, military members and veterans and overall community vitality in the areas served by VyStar Credit Union. For more information, visit vystarfoundation.org.
