



Voya Unsung Heroes® awards program

Voya Unsung Heroes – rewarding excellence in America’s schools

The Voya Unsung Heroes program has helped over two thousand K-12 educators and their schools fund innovative classroom projects through awards totaling more than \$5 million. Do you or someone you know have an innovative teaching method or creative educational project that has the ability to make a positive influence on students? Complete an online application and apply for an award today to help bring to life your innovative and engaging teaching ideas.

To apply for an award

Applications must be completed online by April 30, 2020. To apply or learn more, go to apply.scholarsapply.org/unsungheroes/

Who’s eligible?

All K-12 education professionals are eligible. Specifically, these individuals must be:

- Employed by an accredited K-12 public or private school located in the United States
- Full-time educators, teachers, principals, paraprofessionals, or classified staff with effective projects that improve student learning

Previous recipients of Voya Unsung Heroes awards are not eligible to apply for another award.

Awards

Fifty finalists will receive an award of \$2,000. Award checks are made payable jointly to the recipient and to his or her school. Of the 50 finalists, three will be selected for additional financial awards. First place will receive \$25,000; second place will receive \$10,000; and the third place winner will receive \$5,000.



Questions regarding the program should be addressed to Scholarship America:

- Phone: (507) 931-1682 or (800) 537-4180
- E-mail: unsungheroes@scholarshipamerica.org

Voya Unsung Heroes awards program online application guide

The applicant is responsible for completing all sections and obtaining the required verification signature. If you represent a team effort, list only one name as “Applicant”; there will be an area to list other names in the online application form.

To apply, please complete the online application available at <https://apply.scholarsapply.org/unsungheroes>



What you'll need

General application information

Name, contact information and school information

Project information

Project details and summary

Program summary

Concise summary of your project. Be sure to include the overall objective of the program as well as how the project will benefit students and their experience in the classroom.

Project description

Thorough description of your project, clearly stating what you and your students will do. Describe its objectives and how your project is new or different.

Benefits to students

How many students does or will the project directly benefit?
How will your project improve student learning and impact other students and teachers, parents, and your community?
How will you evaluate the effectiveness of your project?

Use of funds

What funds/money, materials, or other resources you currently use or will use to operate your project. How will you use the \$2,000 award? How will you use additional money up to \$25,000?

Online application deadline is April 30

Unsung Heroes is part of Voya Foundation's signature program, Voya Teacher Voices. Voya Teacher Voices focuses on empowering teachers to become leaders by promoting the teaching career, recognizing high-achieving accomplishments, providing training opportunities and offering financial support to achieve their goals.

To learn more go to Voya Teacher Voices: <https://corporate.voya.com/teacher-voices>

To learn more about the program and read about previous winners, visit <https://apply.scholarsapply.org/unsungheroes/>



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