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**Subject:** The 10th Mt. Division Scholarship Fund

**To:** Potential Donors

Hi, I'm the President of the National Association of the 10th Mountain Division, Inc., a 501(c)(19) organization.

The 10th Mt. Div. was reactivated in Feb 1985 and since that time has been the most deployed division in the United States Army. By design and by hard won reputation, the division will remain extremely active in the years ahead in the Global War on Terrorism.

Here is the problem ... the by-laws of the 10th Mt. Div. Foundation Scholarship Fund do not allow for current members of the 10th Mt. Div. to be eligible for scholarship monies that have been collected and invested over the last 65 years. Rightfully, the original World War II Veterans who donated the money want it to go to their descendants.

This leaves the 10th Mt. Div. (Light) without a ready source of funds for scholarships like the rest of the Army's active duty divisions have. This is an unfortunate situation that has created an unintended inequity for those who serve America in the 10th Mt. Div.

To correct this inequity, we formed a fund raising committee in 2006 to raise funds so we can provide our soldiers and their family member's annual scholarships from a self perpetuating fund. The selection criteria is currently weighted in favor of family members of those KIA but, as more funds become available, broader criteria will be used to increase our selection base. In 2007 we awarded five \$5,000 scholarships to 10<sup>th</sup> Mt. Div. Soldiers and their Family Members, six were awarded in 2008 and seven in 2009. Our plan is to add one each following year. To ensure this happens we need your support.

The 10<sup>th</sup> Mt. Div. will continue to place Soldiers in harms way far in to the foreseeable future. Thus, the need is not only now, but it is growing. Our goal is to raise \$5 million so that we can provide up to fifty \$5,000 scholarships annually from the interest. This goal is attainable with your help.

Donations should be made out to the 10<sup>th</sup> Mt. Div. (Light) Scholarship Fund. Please mail checks to:

Northern New York Community Foundation  
HSBC Building, Suite 400  
120 Washington Street  
Watertown, NY 13601

Or, if you would prefer to use a credit card go to: <https://secure.west-point.org/10thMtnScholarship/>

All scholarship monies will be administered through the Northern New York Community Foundation, Inc. who has a long time record of impeccable financial stewardship and a 501(c) status ([www.nnycf.org](http://www.nnycf.org)). Once your check has been processed you will receive a confirmation of receipt and the income tax information you need to deduct your tax-deductible gift.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [plummike@aol.com](mailto:plummike@aol.com).

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