

## Who We Are

The Suffolk Community College Foundation's mission supports student access to quality education and vocational skill training by providing scholarships, emergency loans, hardship grants and funding for program development. Additionally, the Foundation seeks to engage alumni to maintain their connection to the college, to support foundation events, philanthropy, student mentorship and internship opportunities.

## Contact Us

For information on eligibility and the application process, contact:

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# Bobby Hommel Memorial Student Hardship Fund Application



**SUFFOLK COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION**



## The Bobby Hommel Memorial Student Hardship Fund

### Applicant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

e-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

### Academic Information

SCCC Campus \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_

Currently enrolled for \_\_\_\_\_ credits.

### Checklist

- Enrolled at Suffolk County Community College
- Veteran of the United States Armed Forces
- Awarded the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (AFEM)
- New or Continuing student (circle one)
- Full-time/Part-time (circle one)
- Provide a narrative and supporting documents demonstrating critical financial need and desire to continue at Suffolk County Community College
- Submit this application, together with all supporting documents to:

Suffolk Community College Foundation  
Bobby Hommel Memorial Student Hardship Fund  
The Cottage – 533 College Road, Selden, NY 11784

## What is the Fund?

The **Bobby Hommel Memorial Student Hardship Fund** was established through the generosity of Shannon O’Neill, Director of Veterans Services at Suffolk County Community College and supplemented through fundraising by Suffolk’s student veterans in loving memory of Robert Hommel. The Fund provides critical support to student veterans attending Suffolk County Community College who are facing financial hardship that threatens their continued enrollment. Bobby was 29 years old when he was in a tragic car crash on his way to the VA where he was being treated for post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI). He surrendered to his injuries on October 10, 2015, six years after returning from Iraq. Bobby was an Army sniper who served with the 101st Airborne Division. He was deployed for three tours that ended with him earning the Army Commendation Medal.

Although his time on the battlefield ended, his battles with the stress of the things he saw and had to endure had continued since his return home. The burdens of his heroism, as well as the loss of too many of his comrades, had always weighed heavily upon Bobby.

## Am I Eligible?

Support from the Fund is limited to student veterans of the United States armed Forces who were awarded the AFEM and who have come upon an unforeseen financial difficulty that jeopardizes their ability to remain enrolled at the College. Recognized financial hardships include homelessness, pending eviction, termination of utility services (water, heat, electric), food security, no transportation, health crisis, etc.

Together with the completion of this form, applicants must provide a narrative (limited to 250 words) and supporting documents (invoices, bills, past due rent notices, eviction notices, foreclosure forms, letters and photographs) demonstrating a critical financial need and expressing a desire to continue at Suffolk County Community College.

## What is the Grant Amount?

The Bobby Hommel Memorial Student Hardship Fund provides a maximum award of up to \$500 per student per year.