



## **M. Louise Wilson Educational Loan Fund**

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**Purpose:** To aid women veterans and members of the Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary to attain a higher education.

**History:** On February 4, 1925, the Executive Committee of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Wisconsin, established the M. Louise Wilson Educational Loan Fund with the sum of \$200.00. Since 1925 the maintenance and growth of the fund has been entirely dependent upon the repayment of loans and voluntary contributions from Units and friends of the American Legion Auxiliary.

**Additional Information:** It is an interest-free loan of \$800.00 per year and may be received for up to five years, with a total loan limit of \$4,000.00. Money may be borrowed each year the student attends college. There shall be no interest charged unless the loan is in default. The usual time for processing a loan is approximately one month. All loans must be co-signed by a responsible party, usually a parent or guardian.

Guidelines and application can be found on the Department website ([www.amlegionauxwi.org](http://www.amlegionauxwi.org)) under the program information tab or for more information contact Department Chairman Joan Chwala.

**Award:** The District that donates the most money to M. Louise Wilson Educational Loan Fund will receive a citation at Department Convention. Deadline is April 15, 2023.