

FOLDS OF HONOR ANNOUNCES MICHIGAN COLLEGES ALLIANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

With support from Cooper Standard, Folds of Honor is offering educational assistance to military families attending a Michigan Colleges Alliance institution

OWASSO, Oklahoma – Folds of Honor is pleased to announce that it is awarding scholarships to students attending one of 14 leading private four-year colleges and universities in Michigan. Supported by a donation from the foundation of Michigan-based Cooper Standard, Folds of Honor is providing six educational scholarships of \$10,000 each to the families of fallen and disabled service members in educational assistance to Folds of Honor recipients attending a Michigan Colleges Alliance (MCA) institution for the 2018/2019 academic year. But it doesn't end there. The partnership will also be awarding two \$25,000 scholarships per year starting in 2019 to be matched by MCA, providing full-ride scholarships to two very deserving students.

"We founded Folds of Honor 10 years ago with the mission to make life a little easier for the families of those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country," said Folds of Honor Founder Major Dan Rooney. "We couldn't continue to do this important work without the support of incredible organizations like Cooper Standard and MCA, and we look forward to working together to provide even more assistance to our Michigan recipients."

Donations to Folds of Honor help fund educational scholarships for the spouses and children of our military heroes who have been killed or disabled while in active duty. In addition to supporting education, tutoring and summer camps for children K-12, Folds of Honor provides higher education tuition assistance to spouses and children. The donation from Cooper Standard and the match from MCA will give Michigan-based military families even more opportunity to attend a leading college or university.

"Through the Cooper Standard Foundation, we are pleased to expand our efforts to support military veterans by honoring the families of those who make so many sacrifices for our country," said Jeffrey Edwards, chairman and CEO, Cooper Standard. "With this new partnership, we hope to make a lasting impact through education and give back to our military families who have given so much for our freedom."

"The Michigan Colleges Alliance is proud to partner with Cooper Standard and Folds of Honor to provide this unique scholarship opportunity for children and spouses of our military heroes," said Bob Bartlett, president, Michigan Colleges Alliance. "It's a natural fit for our organization, as Michigan Colleges Alliance schools are value-based institutions with a strong sense of patriotism."

About Folds of Honor

Folds of Honor is a 501(C)(3) nonprofit organization that provides educational scholarships to families of military men and women who have fallen or been disabled while on active duty in the United States Armed Forces. Our educational scholarships support private education tuition and tutoring for children in grades K-12, as well as higher education tuition assistance for spouses and dependents. Founded in 2007 by Major Dan Rooney, a PGA member and F-16 fighter pilot currently stationed at Tyndall AFB Florida as a member of 301st Fighter Squadron who served three tours of duty in Iraq, Folds of Honor is proud to have awarded more than 16,000 scholarships in all 50 states, as well as Guam, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, including more than 3,500 in 2016 alone. For more information or to donate in support of a Folds of Honor scholarship, visit foldsofhonor.org.

About Michigan Colleges Alliance (MCA)

Founded in 1949, MCA is comprised of 14 leading private four-year colleges and universities, grounded in the liberal arts and sciences tradition. MCA leverages the shared capacity of its members to promote college choice in Michigan, support access to higher education for Michigan families, and develop a 21st century talent pipeline for Michigan business. Member institutions include: Adrian College; Albion College; Alma College; Andrews University; Aquinas College; Calvin College; Hillsdale College; Hope College; Kalamazoo College; Madonna University; Olivet College; Siena Heights University; Spring Arbor University and University of Detroit Mercy. For more information about member campuses or MCA's collective programs, visit www.michigancolleges.org or www.wearetheindependents.com.

About Cooper Standard

Cooper Standard, headquartered in Novi, Mich., is a leading global supplier of systems and components for the automotive industry. Products include rubber and plastic sealing, fuel and brake lines, fluid transfer hoses and anti-vibration systems. Cooper Standard employs approximately 32,000 people globally and operates in 20 countries around the world. The Cooper Standard Foundation was established in April 2013 to strengthen the communities in which Cooper Standard employees work and live through the support of children's charities, education, health and wellness and community revitalization. For more information, please visit www.cooperstandard.com.

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