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**Deadline Extended for the Alva C. McFarlane Scholarship**

*Apply through Friday, February 28, 2025*

**Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority**

**ALVA C. MCFARLANE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR TWO CATEGORIES:

Bachelor's Degree - up to \$80,000  
Associate's/Technical Degree - up to \$30,000

**APPLY NOW!**

For more info and to apply, contact Tracie Wells at [tracie.wells@viwapa.vi](mailto:tracie.wells@viwapa.vi)

Applications open until February 28, 2025!

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U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (January 29, 2025) – The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority (“WAPA” or the “Authority”) announces an updated deadline for the 2025 Alva C. McFarlane Scholarship. High school and college students now have until February 28, 2025, to submit their applications for this opportunity to advance their education in engineering and STEM fields.

The Alva C. McFarlane Scholarship offers significant financial support to students pursuing careers in these critical areas:

- **Bachelor's Degrees:** Up to \$80,000 in funding
- **Associate's/Technical Degrees:** Up to \$30,000 in funding

This scholarship honors the legacy of Alva C. McFarlane and aims to inspire the next generation of innovators who will shape the future of clean energy, technology, and infrastructure. If you're a student passionate about engineering, science, technology, or

math, this is your chance to secure funding for your education and make a lasting impact in these fields.

Apply online by visiting our [online portal](#). For inquiries, please direct them to Tracie Wells, WAPA Assistant Director of Human Resources, at [tracie.wells@viwapa.vi](mailto:tracie.wells@viwapa.vi).

*The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority Communication's department is committed to reaching, informing, and connecting with the youngest members of the community to the eldest, through meaningful, transparent and effective communication.*

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**About WAPA:** The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority is an autonomous agency of the Virgin Islands Government which produces and distributes electricity and drinking water to residential and commercial customers in the territory. WAPA was created by the Fifth Legislature of the Virgin Islands in 1964 through Act No. 1248. Today, WAPA generates electrical power at production plants on St. Thomas and St. Croix and distributes electrical service through smart grids to customers on St. Thomas, St. Croix, St. John, Hassel Island, and Water Island. Potable water is distributed to almost 13,000 customers through water lines and standpipes. WAPA also has the responsibility of installing and maintaining streetlights.

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