



## **FSO Student Ambassador Program**

**Serve from Home. Support the Front Lines.**

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## **Program Overview**

The Forgotten Soldiers Outreach (FSO) Student Ambassador Program engages high school and college students across the nation to support U.S. troops deployed overseas through leadership, volunteer service, fundraising, and awareness campaigns. Ambassadors act as local champions of the FSO mission—ensuring no service member is forgotten.

## **Objectives**

- Raise awareness about the needs of deployed service members
- Coordinate collection drives and fundraising events
- Recruit peers to support FSO efforts & Mission
- Submit monthly reports to track impact
- Create a ripple effect of patriotism, service, civic engagement and compassion

## **Eligibility**

- High school students (Grades 9-12)
- College students (Undergraduate or Graduate)
- Make a commitment to positively represent FSO's mission and values.



## **Ambassador Tier System Overview**

The FSO Student Ambassador Program is designed to recognize and reward the dedication and impact of our student volunteers. To ensure a clear path of growth and achievement, the program is structured into three tiers: Cadet, Advocate, and Patriot. Each tier represents an increased level of engagement and leadership, offering students meaningful opportunities to serve, lead, and inspire their communities while supporting deployed U.S. service members.

As ambassadors complete tasks such as organizing care package drives, hosting fundraisers, and promoting FSO's mission, they advance through these tiers—earning recognition, exclusive incentives, and valuable service experience along the way.

## **Tier 1: Cadet**

### Requirements:

- Attend FSO orientation (virtual or in-person)
- Share at least one approved FSO social media post
- Attend one virtual meeting or info session

### Incentives:

- FSO Digital Badge
- Certificate of Participation

#### **Digital Badge**



#### **Certificate of Participation**



## **Tier 2: Advocate**

### Requirements:

- Lead or co-lead one fundraising event
  - A minimum of \$100 must be raised individually OR \$250 if working as a team.
- Host or contribute to one care package drive
- Recruit at least one new participant

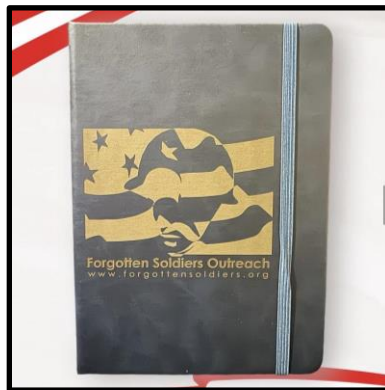
### Incentives:

- FSO Digital Ambassador Badge
- Custom FSO Notebook
- Printed Certificate of Appreciation (CoA)

#### **Digital Badge**



#### **Notebook**



#### **CoA**





### **Tier 3: Patriot**

#### Requirements:

- Lead multiple events (including at least one fundraiser and a food drive or letter writing drive)
  - A minimum of \$300 must be raised individually OR \$450 if working as a team.
- Submit at least two monthly impact reports with photos and summaries.
- Collaborate with a school club or campus organization.
- Write five or more letters to be included in care packages.

#### Incentives:

- FSO Challenge Coin
- Spotlight on FSO Website/Social Media, highlighted in a monthly newsletter
- FSO Gift Bundle (T-shirt, Patch, Notebook)

**Digital Badge** |



**Patch** |



**Coin** |



**Shirt** |



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### **Top Ambassador of the Year**

Awarded to one high school and one college ambassador annually.

- Personalized Plaque or Framed Certificate
- Letter of Recommendation from FSO's Executive Director
- Scholarship Opportunity (if sponsored)
- Nomination for the President's Volunteer Service Award (PVSA)

## **How the FSO Ambassador Program Benefits**

### **Your Future**

#### Why Join?

Becoming a Forgotten Soldiers Outreach Student Ambassador is more than just volunteer work—it's a nationally impactful leadership experience that can elevate your college applications, scholarship eligibility, and career opportunities.

## ✓ What You'll Accomplish

As a high school ambassador, you will:

- **Earn Verified Community Service Hours**  
Accepted by most high schools, college service clubs, and scholarship programs.
- **Gain Leadership Experience**  
Lead drives, fundraisers, and school-wide events that show initiative and responsibility.
- **Build a Resume of Impact**  
Include real-world experiences like public speaking, event planning, and volunteer coordination.
- **Receive Recognition & Awards**  
Advance through a tiered system, earn certificates, and become eligible for:
  - The President's Volunteer Service Award (PVSA)
  - Scholarship Opportunity (if sponsored)
  - FSO Top Ambassador of the Year
  - Letters of Recommendation from FSO's Executive Director.

## Develop Soft Skills

Enhance teamwork, public speaking, time management, and communication skills valued by colleges and employers.

### How This Helps You Stand Out

Admissions officers and employers look for:

<b>Traits</b>	<b>How the Ambassador Program Demonstrates it</b>
Leadership	Leading fundraisers, organizing drives
Civic Engagement	Supporting deployed troops nationwide
Initiative	Creating events, promoting on social media
Reliability	Meeting monthly goals and reporting
Character	Serving with empathy and patriotism

## **College Applications & Resumes**

You'll be able to include:

- Official Certificate of Participation
- Service Hour Log (signed by FSO)
- Recognition in letters of recommendation
- Awards and honors (PVSA, Scholarships, Challenge Coin, Top Ambassador)

## Who are we

Forgotten Soldiers Outreach is a nonprofit organization committed to supporting our deployed military service members, ensuring they are not forgotten by sending monthly 'We Care' packages that aim to boost their morale and remind them that they are appreciated. Established in 2003, and have benefited over 1 million of our deployed servicemembers.

### **Connect with us:**

Instagram: @forgottensoldiersoutreach

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/forgottensoldiers/>







## **Disclaimer & Participation Notice**

Forgotten Soldiers Outreach (FSO) Student Ambassador Program

### **Volunteer Participation & Program Disclaimer:**

Participation in the Forgotten Soldiers Outreach (FSO) Student Ambassador Program is completely voluntary and intended for students who wish to support our nonprofit mission through community service, outreach, and leadership activities.

As a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, FSO operates under federal guidelines and nonprofit best practices. The following terms clarify expectations and ensure program compliance.

## Volunteer Status

- All student ambassadors serve in an unpaid, volunteer capacity.
- No ambassador or participant is entitled to wages, stipends, or other forms of compensation.
- Participation does not create an employment relationship with FSO or its affiliates.

## Fundraising Expectations

- Students may be encouraged to take on leadership roles in fundraising events that support FSO's mission.
- There is no personal financial obligation to donate or guarantee fundraising amounts.
- All fundraising must be conducted in accordance with FSO guidelines and local laws.

## Recognition & Awards

- Incentives (such as certificates, challenge coins, or digital badges) are provided as a **form of recognition**, not payment.
- Scholarship opportunities are **subject to donor funding and availability** and are not guaranteed.

## Representation & Conduct

- Ambassadors are expected to **positively represent the mission** of Forgotten Soldiers Outreach in their communities.
- Public behavior, use of social media, and event participation must reflect the values of service, integrity, and respect.
- Misuse of the ambassador title or misrepresentation of affiliation may result in removal from the program.