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**BridgeValley Community and Technical College's Veterans Affairs Office Receives  
First Time Scholarship From American Legion**

*Student Veteran awarded funds to cover costs of education  
upon returning from active duty*

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**South Charleston, W.Va** - The BridgeValley Community and Technical College (BridgeValley) Veterans Affairs Office recently received a one-time scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 from the American Legion in South Charleston, West Virginia. The funds, left in a will of a Veteran and American Legion member who wished to remain anonymous, requested the money go to a Veteran at BridgeValley who needed it the most.

After much research, it was discovered that Jacob Mullins, a Veteran and a cyber security major at BridgeValley, was only receiving 50% of the funds he needed from Veterans Affairs to cover his tuition and fees, in addition to receiving no financial aid.

Upon returning to the United States from Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, and Iraq only a week before classes were set to begin, Jacob didn't have enough time to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to receive assistance to help pay for his education, and didn't know how he would pay the remainder of what he owed BridgeValley to complete his courses.

Given his circumstances and service, BridgeValley Veteran's Affairs Office selected Jacob as the scholarship recipient, presented to him by Andrea

Hammock, a local American Legion representative. "Given his extraordinary circumstances, we felt he was the perfect candidate to receive this scholarship," said Andrea.



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### **About BridgeValley Community and Technical College**

BridgeValley Community and Technical College promotes student success, prepares a skilled workforce, and builds tomorrow's leaders by providing access to quality higher education. BridgeValley Community and Technical College will be the college of opportunity for a diverse learner population, offering leading-edge technology, innovative ideas, and dynamic service to our students and our communities. BridgeValley Community and Technical College serves a six-county region including Fayette, Raleigh, Nicholas, Clay, Putnam and Kanawha counties. The college operates two campuses in Montgomery and South Charleston, along with the addition of the new Advanced Technology Center. BridgeValley Community and Technical College is a public institution of higher education independently accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges and a member of the Community and Technical College System of West Virginia.

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