



SOUTH TAHOE HIGH SCHOOL

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Student 1

HERO Scholarship Committee,

I am writing this enthusiastic letter of recommendation for . She is a strong young woman of who has had to overcome tremendous adversity of homelessness and child protective service interventions related to her mother's struggles. 's mom is a single parent dealing with her own challenges of illnesses and chemical dependency. is a very deserving student who has already worked extremely hard academically, athletically and emotionally to cope with trying circumstances. She is a wonderful student who has demonstrated resilience, determination, and independence. 's educational goal is to attend a university to study pre-medicine. Your financial generosity will help her overcome the barriers that exist for this bright and determined 1st generation student.

has been committed to academic success despite the many obstacles. As you can see her academic record demonstrates effort and determination. She has intelligently been willing to ask for help and has maintained that academic support of our AVID program for the last 4 years. She has always maintained the highest level of individual determination to go into a field of medicine. 's class of human anatomy reinforced the early decision to go into a field to help people. She has seen first-hand from her mother's illnesses and the medical challenges that we need a more humane and effective medical system. has had to be taken away from her mother several times to be cared for by court appointed non family guardians. Now, not only having the intrinsic motivation to study medicine to help others, is inspired by the content of medical classes that will be prerequisites for any pre-med program.

has been a leader on campus with her commitment to service to the homeless. She has provided numerous hours in service to her church and the community in various ways through feeding others at the Bread and Broth that she once had to attend with her biological family. Now that has been placed in a more stable secure environment. She has giving back to less fortunate people who are currently dealing with struggles that she had to endure in her young life. These experiences have been extremely enriching and continue to shape her character and future. The last few years of high school has gotten jobs to help her mother pay for her bills. In 10th grade, even decided to put her own education on hold so she could take care of her sick mother. In hindsight, learned that this was not a good decision. She now learned through therapy and experience that she has to put her needs first when it comes to her mother's illness.

's strength is her ability to rise above adversity and stay focused on a positive future. is determined to avoid the struggles that her mother faced. She does not want to have to depend on others. Therefore, has done everything possible to triumph over the trauma of her childhood. If you have the ability to provide financial assistance she will use those resources to make her dreams come true. I encourage you to help achieve her potential.