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**Matthew Chase**

North Pole, AK

Brigham Young University-Idaho
Welding Engineering Technology
2021-2022 District Scholarship and
Jerry Hope Memorial Scholarship
District 19 - 125-Alaska

Thank you for selecting me as a recipient of this award. The aid that the American Welding Society offers to those seeking welding related careers alleviates the financial burdens of higher education. I look forward to continuing to develop my skills and abilities as a expert in welding.

**Pomaikai Cocquio**

oregon city, OR

Clackamas Community College
Welding
2021-2022 District Scholarship and
Portland Section Scholarship
District 19 - 052-Portland

Thank you for your generous scholarship awards. I am honored to be selected as a recipient.

I am a first year welding student at Clackamas Community College. I have been wanting to learn the welding trade for a long time. With my new welding skills I plan on expanding my business to offer more fabrication services.

By awarding me, you have lightened the financial burden of an adult learner. Which will allow me to get the most I can out of the classes and instructors that I will be working with. Your generosity has inspired me to also one day give back to my community and help others achieve their goals.

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Tyler Vassar
Post Falls, ID
North Idaho College
Welding Engineering
2021-2022 District Scholarship
District 19 - 167-Spokane

Thank you for granting me the scholarship money to continue my education in welding and/or engineering. I appreciate the chance to use this money to continue to meet my goals and obtain my degree. The cost of school can be a challenge that a lot of students face and having opportunities to use scholarship money is very much appreciated.



Danielle Vaughan
Carlton, WA
Western Welding Academy
Welding
2021-2022 District Scholarship
District 19 - 167-Spokane

I am sincerely honored to have been selected as the recipient of the 2021-2022 District Scholarship. Thank you for your generosity, which will allow me to complete the training program at Western Welding Academy and reach my goal to pass the welding test at my union so I can switch my book from helper to welder.

As I complete my education at Western Welding Academy, I am very thankful for receiving your thoughtful gift. Because of your scholarship, I can become the next woman to be a pipeline welder. My aunt was a pipeline welder and I am grateful to follow in her footsteps. Thank you again for your thoughtful gift and generosity.

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Franchesca Ybarra

Hood River, OR
Pennsylvania College of Technology
Welding Engineering Technology
2021-2022 District Scholarship and
Portland Section Scholarship
District 19 - 052-Portland

I am very honored and thankful to be the recipient of these scholarships. Thank you so much for your support towards my education and my career choice. This scholarship will help relieve a great amount of financial stress as I work hard as a full-time student to pay for my education on top of general living expenses. My education and career are two important investments that I have never given up on, no matter how long it has taken me, and receiving this scholarship reminds me that all my hard work is paying off. It means so much to me to be chosen for this amazing award. This scholarship will help pay for tuition this coming Fall semester, and I couldn't be more grateful for the support that this organization has provided me with as I take on my senior year.

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Syed Alam

Edmonton, AB
University of Alberta
Welding Engineering
Jerry Hope Memorial Scholarship
District 19 - 216-Alberta

I am honored to be one of the recipients of the Jerry Hope Memorial Scholarship. Thanks to your generous support I am able to finance my academic aspirations.

I grew up in Bangladesh but call Canada my home now. I am currently pursuing my MSc in Welding engineering at the University of Alberta, focusing my research on welding automation to improvise new technologies like robots and 3D scanning to repair worn out parts. Before starting my masters, I have worked for a local welding company specializes in Laser Cladding. This has influenced my plans for a graduate degree and pivoted my thesis/research on laser cladding.

I would like to acknowledge the Donors of Jerry Hope Memorial Scholarships for their support. I have always been amazed with all that the American Welding Society has to offer. This resource intensive society of professionals in welding has opened many doors for me. I am determined to flourish my career in the field of welding and look forward to an impactful stance in the local community with my time and effort. I feel a strong commitment to support AWS and the welding community in whole locally and in a global setting.

Thank you for enabling this opportunity!

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Santino DeZorzi

Calgary, AB

Southern Alberta Institute Of Technology

Welding

Alberta Section Scholarship

District 19 - 216-Alberta

To the American Welding Society Foundation, thank you for not only selecting me as the recipient for the Alberta, Canada section award, but for creating the structures in which the science of welding has relied upon since its inception in 1919.

To be awarded for my efforts put forth in this industry, feelings of joy and gratification are only the start of the words I could use to explain my feelings. The reassurances this award provides, monetary and emotionally, will guide my welding future for years to come. Welding can not be denied nothing short of a miracle. The fusion of metals via molecular manipulation, leaves a welder to feel like a scientist. The magic, the heat, the shield, leaves spectators in awe as it brings them to there childhood state of curiosity. Having learned the foundations of welding through the groundwork that the AWS has laid forth, I am able to facilitate there curiosity. I am joyous in the fact I am now part of a elite group of induvial who call themselves welders.

Once again thank for the the award. I look forward to my future years of study and the knowledge it encompasses.

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Adrian Dueck

Calgary, AB
SAIT
Welding
Alberta Section Scholarship
District 19 - 216-Alberta

I would like to thank the AWS for the scholarship I received through the Alberta Section Scholarship. It has been a difficult time since COVID upended life as I knew it and the funds I have received will be of much help on my path to becoming a professional welder. Thank you so much and God bless!



Jessie Elles

Edmonton, AB
NAIT Souch Campus
Welding
Alberta Section Scholarship
District 19 - 216-Alberta

I'd like to express my sincere gratitude for the generous scholarship you awarded me. I appreciate your recognition of my efforts.

I finished my 2nd year in the welding program at NAIT Souch campus in Edmonton, AB. I plan to pursue my career in the Welding industry with the long-term goal of receiving my B pressure Certificate and then my Red Seal.

Thanks to your generous scholarship, I am now one step closer to achieving my goal. By awarding me the AWS Award, you have reduced my financial burden, which allows me to focus on my school work and not worry so much about how I am going to pay for school. Thank you very much for your generosity.

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Amber Hutchison

Calgary, AB
Southern Alberta Institute of Technology
Welding
Alberta Section Scholarship
District 19 - 216-Alberta

It is with the utmost gratitude I thank you for your donation to the AWS and this scholarship. It is an honour to be chosen as a recipient and I am extremely grateful.

Starting my career as a welder as a mature student after being a Veterinary Technician for 10 years was daunting to say the least. I had a difficult time getting my foot in the door with no prior experience but was lucky enough to be accepted into a pre-apprenticeship program at Motive Action in Calgary, which subsequently led to employment at my current job at Custom Park and Leisure. I made myself a promise that if I was accepted I would give 100% not only in class (whether at Motive Action or SAIT) but also at my job. It is extremely encouraging to have that hard work recognized and rewarded.

Being a mature student and having to provide life necessities on my own, it is a huge weight off my shoulders to have been chosen to receive this award and will help a great deal with finances. I am extremely appreciative and honoured.

Thank you very much for not only helping myself but many other students with their finances for their education. I am looking forward to continuing my welding journey to become a journeyperson and obtain my Red Seal.

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Adedamola Ososonwo

Calgary, AB
Southern Alberta Institute of Technology
Welding
Alberta Section Scholarship
District 19 - 216-Alberta

It is with heartfelt gratitude that I wish to thank your highly revered organization for awarding me \$1,600 in grant/scholarship. The grant will go along way to help meet the financial needs of the highly demanding apprenticeship period. Thank you and God bless.



Jose Eduardo Alvarez Rocha

Fort McMurray, AB
University of Alberta
Welding Engineering
Alberta Section Scholarship
District 19 - 216-Alberta

I would like to express my gratitude for being selected as the recipient of the AWS Section Scholarship. As described in my application, my career path has been uncommon (from welder to welding inspector to mechanical engineer). However, I am grateful for the diverse experience I have acquired, which I believe is the foundation that will support my future success through my MSc Welding Engineering studies.

Receiving this scholarship gives me confidence in the trajectory I have selected. Therefore, I will continue to strive for a rewarding career in the welding field.

Thank you once again for this tremendous honor.

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Ember Leese

Sedro Woolley, WA
Skagit Valley College
Engineering
Chuck Daily Scholarship
District 19 - 041-Puget Sound Olympic

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your generosity in funding the Chuck Daily scholarship that I received as part of my financial aid package. I feel very fortunate to have been chosen as a recipient of this award.

I am currently enrolled at Skagit Valley College where I plan to obtain my standard transfer degree. I then plan to continue on to university to continue my studies. I currently have a part time job to help pay for my tuition. When I begin the school year I plan to study full time and I am truly grateful for the assistance I am receiving because of your thoughtful gift. When I graduate I hope that I can use what I have learned at Skagit Valley college and at university to make a difference in people's lives, the same way that you have made a difference in mine.

Thank you again for the generous contribution which made my scholarship possible.



Victoria Schweitzer

Auburn, WA
Green River Community College
Welding Technology
Chuck Daily Scholarship
District 19 - 041-Puget Sound Olympic

I appreciate the acceptance into your scholarship foundation, I will use it to further my education in the welding field.

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Gavin Wells
Bainbridge Island, WA
Olympic College
Welding Technology
Chuck Daily Scholarship
District 19 - 041-Puget Sound Olympic

I want to personally thank you and the AWS Foundation for the scholarship you offered through the AWS. I am honored to have been chosen to receive it and will put it to good use right away. This scholarship will definitely come in handy as normal financial aid doesn't quite take into account things like specialized safety gear and welding consumables. Not to mention the cost of driving an old full size pickup 65 miles each day to the college. Getting some expenses taken care of helps keep me supplied with TIG gear especially. Again I want to say thank you to Chuck Daily and the AWS Foundation for your support of welding students with generously offering the scholarship opportunities. Sincerely, Gavin Wells, 4th qtr ATA program, Olympic College.

Thank You

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**Django Wiedel**

Williams, OR

Oregon State University

Manufacturing Engineering

Don & Jean Cleveland - Willamette Section Scholarship

District 19 - 141-Willamette Valley

During these unprecedented and scary times, receiving the acceptance letter for the Don & Jean Cleveland scholarship was a bit of hope and certainty that I really needed. This scholarship helps me to ensure I'll be able to keep up with all of life's expenses while I continue to pursue my educational goals.

Since enrolling in college in September 2018, I have been working as hard as I can to keep up my 4.0 GPA and pay all my bills, and thus far everything has been going according to plan. It has not been easy, but it has been very much worth the effort.

Your contribution to my educational future will be put to good use and is extremely appreciated. I hope to continue to work towards my engineering degree here at the higher education institutions of Oregon.

My last few years before enrolling in college have been a struggle, filled with experiences I would hope few ever would have to go through. From my stepmother's addiction to drugs and resulting disappearance, to a motorcycle accident that left me with two broken legs and a lifelong struggle with full mobility, getting through these last few years has been challenging, but with the path that I am now on and committed to, I see a positive future that I'm heading towards.

I sincerely appreciate your financial support.