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Eagan Foundation awards \$118,975 in scholarships to local students

(Eagan, MN, 5/4/2015) – The Eagan Foundation has honored 119 graduating high school students with \$118,975 in scholarships. The 2015 Scholarship Program marked an important milestone for the Foundation as the organization is celebrating their 25th Anniversary. Last year, the Eagan Foundation awarded its one millionth scholarship dollar and for the third year in a row has awarded a minimum of \$100,000 and 100 scholarships, which the Eagan Foundation will look to continue annually.

In 1991, the Eagan Foundation's first year of offering scholarships, 11 students were awarded \$4,350. In its 25 years, the Eagan Foundation has come a long way thanks for the generous support of the new donors and the continued dedication of longtime donors. Scholarships are funded by many location businesses, school organizations, family foundations, and nonprofits. The 2015 scholarship winners were honored at a breakfast presentation on April 28th at the Eagan High School.

Senior-year students attending Eagan High School or residing in Eagan were eligible for the scholarships administered through the Eagan Foundation's 2015 Scholarship Program. To be eligible, senior students had to meet two main criteria: 1) live within the City of Eagan or graduate from a high school located in Eagan; and 2) plan on furthering their education at a technical school, college, or university. Scholarships were then awarded based on a variety of donor-specified criteria such as academic achievement, student financial need, or career interest.

This year, to celebrate the Eagan Foundation's 25th Anniversary, \$25 was added to each recipient's scholarships. These donations were provided by Eagan Beyond the Yellow Ribbon, Gopher Resource and Glacier Hills Elementary. In addition, Meshbeshner & Spence and the Eagan Foundation each donated \$1,450. Other donors who increased their scholarships were



Eagan Lion's Club (\$3,000), DESK (\$1,000), EHS Girls Lacrosse Boosters (\$500), Engle Family (\$500), Suzanne Luse and Associates (\$500) and Maggie Elliot "Living the Mission" (\$500).

2015 Eagan Foundation Scholarship recipients by school:

- **Convent of the Visitation High School:** Madeline Scott
- **Eagan High School:** Lucas Abbott, Reed Anderson, Clark Ashland, Tyler Baillif, Erin Barcaskey, Miriam Barnicle, Samantha Baumgartner, Nicholas Bloome, Lydia Braun, Gavin Brehm, Jenna Bromen, Tyler Buresh, Hayley Cleary, Staci Conocchioli, Jacob Dean, Katilyn DeMartelaere, Elizabeth Deysach, Joshua Duchene, Callen Duffy, Joshua Edelstein, Jacob El-Afandi, Eric Elert, Leah Engebretson, Amelia Flocchini, Sydney Funk, Naudia Garcia, Jaccqueline Gnatkowski, Maxwell Goldberger, Alexander Grieme, Molly Hanson, Margaret Harings, Steven Hasslinger, John Holm, Thomas Jaakola, Batrosz Janczuk, Jacob Johnson, Olivia Jones, Sarah Jurgens, Jacob Kaisler, Sydney Krech, Noah Kuehn, Sarah Lardy, Rachel Larson, Megan Lough, Julia Lundquist, Isabelle Lunow, Elizabeth Lyne, Jacob Mackovets, Anushka Mankunath, Zachary Markon, Daniel Martin, Mia Massaro, Helen Matsoff, Ian McShane, Dennis Melamed, Anthony Metcalfe, Kristina Monson, Katherine Moon, Max Najlis, Gretchen Nelson, Billy Nguyen, Ngan Nguyen, Stephanie Nguyen, Bianca Nkwonta, Garrett O'Keefe, Brooke Olstad, Ashley Patyk, Thomas Perry, Haley Pesik, Isaiah Pritzl, Adam Pugh, Melanie Quick, Caleb Ringkob, Olivia Robinson, Abigail Ross, Jacob Rupp, Meagan Ruppert, Kayla Sauve, Linde Schaffer, Alexandra Schlichting, Bailey Schultz, Suraj Shah, Madison Shepherd, Kerry Shih, Haleigh Simon, Karli Simon, Alexander Slater, Madison Sogge, Molly Som-Por, Alexander Splittstoesser, Brenna Steichen, Hannah Stelman, Kevin Sturgeon, Olivia Taylor, Jolivia Teufack-Momo, Emma Toomey, Rayyaan Usmani, Rachel Wall, Sydney Ward, Olivia Weinberger, Jordan Wollin, Chloe Wright, Samuel Zenner
- **Eastview High School:** Kendall Bradley, Van Duong, Kevin Kayser, Kyle LaMott, Tanner Leighton, Taylor Leighton, Julia Luciano, Brittney Sjulstad, Caley Williams
- **Henry Sibley High School:** Autumn Odean
- **School of Environmental Studies:** Kristen Ebey, Kelli Praska
- **St. Thomas Academy:** Michael Miller, Samuel Supplee
- **Trinity School of River Ridge:** Mary Ennis

2015 Scholarship Donors:

Adam Bauman Foundation, Anchor Bank Eagan, Black Hawk Middle School, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota, Bremer Bank Eagan, Dakota Electric Association, Deerwood Elementary, DESK, Donald and Karen DeGenaro, Eagan Art Festival / Terry B. Davis, Eagan Athletic Association Eagan Wave Soccer - Angela Olson, Eagan Athletic Association, Eagan Beyond the Yellow Ribbon, Eagan Citizens' Crime Prevention Assn., Eagan Foundation, Eagan High School Band Boosters, Eagan High School Boys Basketball, Eagan High School Boys Lacrosse, Eagan High School Boys Soccer Boosters, Eagan High School Bruce Nelson Strength Training, Eagan High School Faculty and Staff, Eagan High School Fastpitch Softball Boosters, Eagan High School Football Boosters, Eagan High School Girls Basketball Booster Club, Eagan High School



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Visit www.eaganfoundation.org for more information on the Eagan Foundation and the annual scholarship program.

About the Eagan Foundation

The Eagan Foundation is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit community-building organization, whose vision is to make Eagan the best place to live, learn, work, and play. Its mission is investing in Eagan's future by providing community connections, grants, and scholarships. The Eagan Foundation was founded in 1990 and encourages, supports, and enhances ideas, funding, and collaborative action to meet community needs. To date, the Foundation has raised and reinvested more than \$1.2 million in the community through its scholarship, community initiatives, and community grants programs. For additional information or to learn how you can volunteer for the Eagan Foundation, visit www.eaganfoundation.org or email admin@eaganfoundation.org.

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