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Kurt Corey Tribute Scholarship

I am thrilled and humbled to have been selected for a scholarship through the Oregon Chapter of the American Public Works Association. I recognize that making available these scholarships comes with a tremendous sacrifice on the part of the APWA, and for this, I am truly grateful.

I am an undergraduate student at Oregon State University studying Civil Engineering. Growing up in Corvallis, I attended Santiam Christian High School where I had the privilege of meeting many incredible mentors in both athletic and academic respects. My physics teacher, in particular, a former engineer himself, inspired me a great deal to explore the different branches of engineering. Having this influence, I determined that Civil Engineering was the discipline that I wanted to make the focus of my study while in college. Examining this extremely diverse field, I have become very interested in both road and bridge design and hope to one day have the opportunity to work in these industries.