Dear Donor,

My name is Emma Kearns and I am honoured to be one of the recipients of the Active and Retired Administration Staff Scholarship at the University of Ottawa. I would like to personally thank your organization for considering me for this generous award.

I am currently in my Junior year at the University of Ottawa and am studying an Honours Bachelor of Arts in Psychology. My dedication to academia has allowed me to achieve a 9.0 cGPA and I look forward to continuing on to graduate studies after my scheduled graduation in April 2023 to study psychological research with a focus on treating conditions including Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder and Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Outside of educational endeavours, I am currently working as an Executive Assistant at the Vanier Institute of the Family as well as being an educational specialist with The Open Door Educational Services as a tutor for children with dyslexia. I also work closely with Scouts Canada as a volunteer with events like Winterlude and Canada Day as a resource for Lost Children Services. I like to describe myself as a hard worker, and it is so rewarding to give my time both to working with children and hope to integrate this into my future work as a researcher in the domain of developmental psychology.

The ability to continue with post-secondary education would not have been possible without your generous support, and I am incredibly grateful to your organization. Thank you for aiding me in pursuing further studies.

Emma