

Dear Members of the Scholarship Committee,

It is my honor to write this letter in support of Justin's application for your scholarship program. I have had the privilege of knowing him for over 20 years and during which I have witnessed his perseverance, integrity, and strength of character through some of life's challenges.

From our earliest years of friendship to today, Justin has consistently demonstrated an uncommon resilience that few people possess. Over the years I've seen him overcome adversity with quiet determination. Whether it was guiding a loved one through difficult transitions, balancing the demands of fatherhood and education, or simply showing up day after day to do the right thing no matter the circumstance.

One example that stands out is when he helped integrate my girlfriend who had recently moved from Spain and spoke little English. He took the time and patience to help her learn the language and find her footing in a new country. It was a reflection of who he is at his core: someone who lifts others up through compassion and perseverance.

In addition I have seen firsthand the sacrifices he has made as a single father, prioritizing his daughter's well being and emotional security above all else. He has made difficult choices and at times stepping back from work and school — to ensure she has a stable, healthy, and loving environment to grow in. That level of dedication and responsibility speaks volumes about his values and priorities.

Perhaps one of the most profound examples of his character came when he took on the role of caregiver for a terminally ill family member. Balancing that with his other responsibilities required strength, compassion, and maturity that go far beyond what most people could manage.

Professionally and personally we have also worked together on numerous construction projects where I have observed his exceptional work ethic, problem-solving skills, and integrity. No matter the task, he has approaches it with focus and pride in doing things the right way even when no one is watching.

In every challenge he has faced, he has shown resilience, purpose, and integrity. He has continually invested in his education and personal growth, not only to better his own life but to set an example for his daughter and to build a foundation of stability and opportunity for his family's future.

I can say without hesitation that Justin is deeply deserving of this scholarship. He has not only demonstrated academic promise and professional ambition but also embodies the values of perseverance and responsibility that define a true leader. Supporting him is an investment in someone who will pay it forward many times over in his community, his family, and his chosen field. Thank you for considering his application. I am confident that if awarded this opportunity, he will use it to continue building a life rooted in integrity, hard work, and purpose.

Sincerely,  
Joshua Hohler