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TruStone Financial Foundation Awards \$15,000 in Scholarships

PLYMOUTH, Minn. (July 16, 2020) – The TruStone Financial Foundation recently awarded \$15,000 in scholarships to ten high school seniors from Minnesota and Wisconsin. Ten students received a \$1,000 scholarship, while the two students with the highest scores on their scholarship applications received \$2,500. The applicants were scored on their academic merit, extracurricular activities, work experience and essay response regarding financial management.

"We are proud to have the opportunity to help these students and TruStone members pursue higher education," said Sam Stern, Chairman of the TruStone Financial Foundation. "They have demonstrated good work ethic and commitment to their academics and community involvement. Just as important, they show a strong sense of financial responsibility. We're confident in their ability to achieve their future goals."

One of the \$2,500 scholarship recipients, Mackenzie O. of Rogers, Minn., expressed her appreciation: "Receiving this scholarship is such an honor and means the world to my family and me," she said. "Thank you so much to TruStone Financial for supporting high school seniors, especially during this tough year. I'm proud to be a member!" Mackenzie will be attending Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame in the fall.

Congratulations to all of the 2020 scholarship recipients:

\$2,500 Awards:

- Mackenzie O. Rogers, MN | Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame
- Isabella D. East Bethel, MN | University of MN–Duluth

\$1,000 Awards

- Taylor G. West St. Paul, MN | Columbia University
- Ellie A. Apple Valley, MN | College of St. Benedict
- Lauren W. Renville, MN | Ridgewater College
- Annelise W. Rosemount, MN | University of Notre Dame
- Eleanor M. Minneapolis, MN | St. Olaf College
- Julia C. Bloomington, MN | University of St. Thomas
- Cassandra N. Lakeville, MN | Luther College

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- Anna C. Andover, MN | University of WI–Eau Claire
- Chelsea H. Brooklyn Park, MN | Itasca Community College
- Emma M. Oak Creek, WI | University of WI–Madison

To learn more about the TruStone Financial Foundation scholarship program and how you can donate to support financial education, visit TruStoneFoundation.org.

About TruStone Financial

TruStone Financial is a full-service credit union that has worked to improve the financial well-being of its neighbors for more than 80 years. Founded as a teachers' credit union, education remains one of TruStone's core values. It strives to teach its members healthy financial habits, and its mission is to offer simple, convenient tools and great rates to help them reach their goals. It has 14 branches across Minnesota and Wisconsin and is Minnesota's third largest credit union, with assets of \$1.74 billion as of June 30, 2020. To learn more, visit <u>TruStoneFinancial.org</u>.

About the TruStone Financial Foundation

The TruStone Financial Foundation is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization founded in 2009 by TruStone Financial Federal Credit Union. The TruStone Financial Foundation primarily supports financial education and programs through scholarships and outreach, while also engaging in general charitable giving in the communities served by the credit union. Learn more about the TruStone Financial Foundation at www.truStoneFoundation.org.

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