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Dear <<names>>,

Sometimes students like Ali worry about paying their tuition bills due to circumstances beyond their control. When an unexpected death occurred in Ali's family, she seriously doubted whether she would be able to attend college at all.

Ali, an education major who graduated from Hope this past spring, is not alone. Many students on campus have financial burdens that weigh them down. But you can help lift this worrisome weight.

"Hope providing this scholarship made college possible!" she exclaimed. "Generosity can change people's lives. My life was changed by generosity, and now I want to do that in turn." Imagine Ali's relief when she opened her financial aid package and saw that it included a scholarship from the Hope Fund.

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Ali won't have to wait long before giving back. Right after graduation, her first-class Hope education helped her land a teaching job at St. Joseph Public Schools.

Will you join her in giving so others can afford to go to Hope? Your gift to the Hope Fund will impact almost all our students. In fact, 95 percent receive scholarships through this fund.

"The Hope Fund makes a difference in real students' lives like

mine," Ali said. **"I really believe the phrase: transformed** by Hope. It's been an honor to be a recipient of this scholarship. Because of the generosity of donors, I got to go to college. I didn't think that was going to happen."

We value your dedicated support in your past giving to Hope. Generosity changes the lives of students like Ali. Make a Hope College education possible by donating to the Hope Fund today.

Ever grateful for you,

[Name] [Position] [Contact] **P.S.** Make your gift to the Hope Fund before the end of the year so students can head into spring semester without financial worries, free to enjoy all a Hope education has to offer.

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"You're making a difference in a student's life. You're helping dreams come true. Like mine," said Matt, who hopes to go to law school and work in contract law after graduating.

"Hope was my dream school. If I didn't get a good scholarship and good grades, I wouldn't be going to Hope," Matt said. "The Hope Fund is the reason I'm here today."



SENIOR COMMUNICATIONS MAJOR

"When I opened my financial aid award, I thought I was reading it wrong!" said Clara. Without a significant scholarship from the Hope Fund, she would not have been able to attend Hope, her first-choice school.

"Generosity is a courageous act," said Clara, who hopes to become a physical therapist focused on geriatric care. "The generosity of others through the Hope Fund makes me want to give what I can and help others when I see someone else helping. I want to give to Hope in the future because of the Hope Fund. Giving is a huge part of the culture at Hope."



MAJOR

"It's already hard being a first-generation student and being independent," Kaniya said. "The Hope Fund allows me to get a great education."

Inspired by those who have given to the Hope Fund, Kaniya plans to give back to her community when she graduates by helping to lower the number of high school dropouts.

"I feel like our communities are a reflection of us. We have to pour into them even when it's tough," Kaniya said. "Generosity makes people feel less alone. It's not a you and me thing. It's a we thing."