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Dear Friends,

Our tradition is to announce Kevin's scholarships for the upcoming year in November, a time traditionally associated with remembrance, thanksgiving, and gratitude. During this time we are reminded to share our gifts, spread gratitude, and remember those, living and dead, who made a difference in our lives.

With these thoughts in mind, we are most grateful to every one of you for your faithful connection to Kevin's Fund and to our family, and for the special and generous ways you have furthered Kevin's spirit, legacy, and memory. Our gratitude is not restricted to this time of the year; it is something we hold dear every day as you impact not just the lives of our scholarship recipients, but also the lives of our family. Your embracing of Kevin's Fund has enriched the lives of our family and the hundreds of scholarship recipients in memory of Kevin, and for that we remain eternally grateful.

The success of Kevin's Fund is the result of your compassion and commitment to honor Kevin by promoting his legacy which touches the lives of each scholarship recipient and their family. By supporting our mission to recognize accomplishments across the spectrum of academic excellence, achievements in athletics and the arts, and involvement in community and religious service, you continue to provide extraordinary opportunities to the recipients of Kevin's scholarships. Furthermore, these opportunities pay it forward to our community, our family, and each donor. They are a tribute to the generosity and goodness of the human spirit whose ripple effects through this scholarship have become unimaginable.

You have made the extraordinary achievements of Kevin's Fund possible and kept Kevin's memory uniquely present for the past 27 years. For this our family stand in awe, admiration, and always, deep gratitude.

We are pleased to announce Kevin's Fund has earned a grant from the City of Norwalk with which we have established a \$5,000 Norwalk Community Service Scholarship for 2024. This scholarship, for outstanding community service to the city of Norwalk, is available to students from all four Norwalk High Schools. Each high school will establish their own selection process and name a finalist for their school. The four finalists will be invited to submit an application. Applications will be reviewed by the Selection Committee consisting of a representative of each high school and a member of the Eidt family, and the recipient selected by a simple majority. Details on the announcement of the recipient, by either the Mayor's office or Norwalk Public Schools, will be made at a later date.

We honor your trust in us and your faith in the mission of Kevin's Fund by announcing the Fund will be awarding scholarships totaling \$164,500 in 2024. We honor the confidence you have placed in us in fulfilling our fiduciary responsibilities, by dedicating 99.5% of your contributions to fund scholarships. This success is due in large part by our in-kind contributors, both during the year and at our Scholarship Presentation and Benefit Dinner Dance: Bruce's Flowers, Destiny Band, Yvonne Marchese Photography, A Piece of Cake by Michelle, Joe Liberatore Trophies and Awards, and Parish Associates. These businesses have, by their generosity, minimized the financial burden of the administration of the Fund.

By announcing 13 scholarships in 2024, the value of scholarships awarded by Kevin's Fund totals almost \$2.9 million. This level of generosity is beyond anything anyone could have imagined when Kevin's Fund was created. Words are unable to adequately communicate our appreciation for your commitment honoring Kevin's life and sustaining his scholarships. The details of Kevin's 2024 scholarships follow this letter.

It is a tribute to what Kevin accomplished in his life that so many are dedicated to perpetuating his memory. Equally significant, Kevin's Fund continues to influence the lives of 235 extraordinary young men and women in college, business, government, medicine, science, technology, the arts, and education.

On April 6, 2024, we will present the 28th Norwalk High School Scholarship in the amount of \$120,000. This marks 19 consecutive years this recipient will receive a scholarship of at least \$100,000.

Information regarding the 28th Norwalk High School Scholarship Presentation and Benefit Dinner Dance, to be held at The Inn at Longshore, Westport CT, will be sent in late January. Please plan to join us in remembering Kevin in a special way as we celebrate his life and perpetuate his spirit through the gift of education.

For additional Fund information please refer to our website using the QR code below or typing www.KevinsFund.org in a web browser.



May all the blessings life affords be yours in abundance every day of the year. Thank you for being an integral part of this amazing and meaningful journey to pass it on and pay it forward in Kevin's memory.

Sincerely,

Chris

Christian H. Eidt,
Director

Kevin's Fund's 2024 Scholarship Commitments

The Fund's Board of Directors approved awarding 13 scholarships totaling \$164,500 for 2024. The scholarships are:

- \$120,000 ~ Norwalk High School scholarship *
- \$10,000 ~ Boston College School of Management scholarship **
- \$10,000 ~ Boston College Emergency Medical Service scholarship
- \$5,000 ~ Norwalk Community Service scholarship ***
- \$5,000 ~ Norwalk High School Marching Band outstanding member scholarship
- \$2,500 ~ Norwalk High School Distinguished Student Speaker scholarship *
- \$2,000 ~ Boston College Emerging Leader Program scholarship
- \$2,000 ~ Norwalk High School – Boston College scholarship ****
- \$2,000 ~ Norwalk High School Jazz scholarship
- \$2,000 ~ Norwalk High School Orchestra scholarship
- \$2,000 ~ Norwalk High School Student-Athlete scholarship
- \$1,000 ~ Norwalk High School Marching Band highest NHS GPA scholarship
- \$1,000 ~ Norwalk High School Marching Band highest P-TECH GPA scholarship

* Scholarship not available to P-TECH students at Norwalk High School. P-TECH is a partnership between Norwalk High School, (NHS), and CT State Community College Norwalk, formerly Norwalk Community College, with its own grading system and honor society. Students take classes both at both sites and are able to participate in all NHS athletic and arts activities.

** Final scholarship amount to be awarded will be incremented by donations made directly to Kevin's Fund at Boston College. The 2024 award amount will be determined in the spring.

*** New scholarship in 2024.

**** Kevin's Fund offers a \$2,000 scholarship, (Kevin being in the BC Class of 2000), to each NHS senior who matriculates at Boston College in the fall of 2024.

The Kevin M. Eidt Memorial Scholarship Fund, a 501(c)(3) publicly supported charitable organization, was established in honor of the exemplary achievements of Kevin, who died from cardiac arrest during his freshman year at Boston College. The Fund recognizes outstanding achievement in academics, athletics, arts, and community and religious commitment.