

Soroptimist International of Gresham Endowed Scholarship recipient, Maureen Chambers

I am a non-traditional student returning to school after two decades to become a physical therapist assistant. I'm a mom to a four-year-old daughter, who is my inspiration in all that I do. Another guiding light in my life is a lesson I learned from my own dad to "leave it better than you found it," based on "What is Success?" by Bessie Anderson Stanley.



Dear Donor,

From the bottom of my heart, I thank you for selecting me to be a recipient of the Soroptimist International of Gresham Endowed Scholarship. I have returned to school to improve my employability by becoming a licensed physical therapist assistant. This scholarship will provide financial assistance to pay for tuition while I pursue my goal. Obtaining my licensure as a physical therapist assistant will allow me to help others manage and improve their pain, mobility, and ability to participate in daily living activities.

I am the mother of a four-year-old daughter. Her dad, my ex-husband, died last fall, leaving her with only me. On days where I am stressed by school assignments, I am reminded that I am doing this work to provide for her. Being supported by members of the community through this scholarship helps me to keep going because I know that others believe in my success alongside me.

Sincerely,

Maureen Chambers