Dear Lotus Light Charity Society and generous benefactors,

Looking at the valuable work done by the Lotus Light Charity Society, I find what I value most: community.

This scholarship, one that will help support my dreams of becoming a biomedical engineer at UBC this fall, would not be possible without the support of the generous donors and the tireless work of so many people at the Lotus Light Charity Society. I am honoured to be granted physical proof of the effort and endorsement from this community and I promise I will do my absolute best in the future.

I co-founded Artistic Atlas, a non-profit organisation that hosts free camps dedicated to bringing cultural diversity to underprivileged youth through crafts and stories. As both a teacher and director, I connect with students and manage project logistics. Being in charge of communications and connecting with schools and community centres across Vancouver taught me persistence. Despite emailing countless schools and community centres in the area without a single reply, I remained persistent and learned how to improve after each rejection. Eventually, these efforts transformed my wild idea into a flourishing organization.

It was this very persistence that led me to apply to the Lotus Light Charity Society. As a non-profit coordinator myself, I know how much hard work is done behind the scenes to keep a program running smoothly. I am so grateful; not only for the scholarship, but also for the passion and dedication put into the charity as a whole. Somewhere, strangers whom I've never met have banded together and given me the resources to reach for my dreams. This anonymous kindness cannot be understated. When the community is kind to an individual, it inspires the individual to give back to that same community tenfold.

My goal as an engineer has always been to make a positive impact on the world; those at the Lotus Light Charity Society, you have made such a tremendous impact on me. For everyone involved: thank you for your generosity and kindness. I promise it won't be forgotten. Your actions inspire me and the youth of my generation to reach for the stars and uplift our community alongside us.

Most sincerely, Amber Lee