



# BELLEVUE LIFESPRING SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS PAYING IT FORWARD

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Bellevue LifeSpring has always loved awarding need-based college scholarships for high school students seeking higher education--scholarships that are renewable for four years. Thanks to the support of the Points community, we have awarded 16 students with college scholarships for the 2020/2021 school year!

In addition to studying hard, these students are committed to spending their time outside of schoolwork investing in their community. We thought it would be fun to share below how a few of these students are enriching their school and community through service.

## Meet Emily

Emily is entering her final year at the University of Washington and majoring in business administration and marketing. Receiving the Bellevue LifeSpring scholarship has allowed her to focus on developing her skills without having to deal with worrying about how to pay for housing or textbooks.



Emily

Emily stays busy with making campus a better place. "I represent 2500 women in our student senate and advocate for changes that will benefit students at UW," shared Emily. "Being able to serve the community and make changes that impact so many women has been one of the most gratifying experiences. This year, the executive board I sit on has made strides to eliminate sexual assault within the community and build a more cohesive community that is inclusive and open-minded."



Nancy

## Meet Nancy

Nancy is studying nursing at the University of Washington. The Bellevue LifeSpring scholarship has been a big relief for her as it has enabled her to work less, study more, and become more involved at her university. She is grateful that this opportunity has allowed her to continue working towards her dream of becoming a nurse.

This past year, Nancy volunteered at the University of Washington Medical Center, helping in the postpartum unit. "I've been able to assist nurses and nursing assistants, helping in any way to make their day as easy as possible," said Nancy. Nancy also helped to open a clinic that provides free medical care for people in need. "We went to communities with the highest level of poverty and, through our service, were able to help many families, which I feel extremely blessed to have been a part of," she shared.

## Meet Ramou

Ramou is beginning her final year at the University of Washington and majoring in Geographic Information Systems. She shared, "The Bellevue LifeSpring Scholarship was just the boost I needed this past year." Ramou, who is an active member of the National Society of Black Engineers, helps organize events that inspire young black students to pursue careers in technology and engineering.



Ramou

"I got the chance to volunteer at a local elementary school on Martin Luther King Day and paint a mural of successful civil rights leaders. This was very profound for me, as we got to be a part of enriching the students' everyday lives by reminding them of what they can do, be, and achieve," said Ramou. "We also hosted and organized the annual Diversity Career Fair at UW. We invited hundreds of companies to come and hire engineering students, specifically those from disadvantaged backgrounds."

## Get Involved

Bellevue LifeSpring is immensely proud of all our scholarship recipients. These students are Bellevue's future nurses, journalists, social workers, engineers, and business executives! Visit [www.BellevueLifeSpring.org](http://www.BellevueLifeSpring.org) to learn more about how you can help support students like Emily, Nancy, and Ramou.