

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR CLASS

Dear «SALUTATION»,

I am pleased to provide you with an update on the CLASS NAME class project. With the warmer weather approaching, it seems a fitting time to celebrate how far we have come and approach the finish line in regards to our fundraising efforts.

2020 was certainly a challenging year for many students. While 2021 may resume some normalcy for the student population, it will be met with continued restrictions and changes. We continue to be made aware by the Dean's office and Dean NAME that student awards like ours are especially important during these difficult times.

Thanks to the generosity of our classmates, we have raised over \$166,000 towards our project. We have over \$6,000 pledged to the project and received \$5,000 in matching funds from the university in 2020. This leaves us with just under \$33,000 to go to reach our goal of \$210,000!

To date, we have created the CLASS NAME Bursary supporting an undergraduate student in COLLEGE who has demonstrated financial need. This bursary was provided in the fall of 2020. We are currently finalizing the terms and conditions for our second award, a scholarship, supporting a student enrolled in the Bachelor of Indigenous Environmental Science and Practice.

This is a new COLLEGE program offering, focused on environmental science, technology, management and land-use and policy development practices that are grounded in Indigenous ways of knowing and being. This new degree program is like no other program in Canada and has been created with Indigenous and non-Indigenous learners in mind. Our class is pleased to be one of the first to offer students scholarships in this program area.

You can easily donate online ([ONLINE GIVING URL](#)). Simply search the *CLASS PROJECT ACCOUNT NAME* in the search box. You can also respond using the enclosed gift ticket. Please note the mail may take a bit longer than usual to get your tax receipt as Alumni Affairs and Development staff are working remotely.

Thank you, in advance, for your support of our class project. I look forward to our 60th reunion when I hope we can safely get together and celebrate our class achievements. In the meantime, take care of yourselves and your families.

Sincerely

NAME

Chair, Fundraising Committee

p.s. If you would like to explore making a gift of stocks or shares, please contact FUNDRAISER NAME, TITLE, who can help you. NAME can be reached at PHONE or EMAIL.