I am excited to share that I accept the Spread Your Wings scholarship from the William O. Lockridge Community Foundation. I am incredibly grateful for this opportunity and would like to extend my sincerest thanks to the scholarship committee.

Receiving this scholarship has lifted the significant financial burden that comes with pursuing a college education. It brings me one step closer to achieving my educational and career goals, which involve addressing racial inequality in the tech field. With this scholarship, I will be equipped with the knowledge and skills I need to give back to my community.

I am thrilled to embark on this new chapter of my life. Thank you once again!

Shakayla Smith