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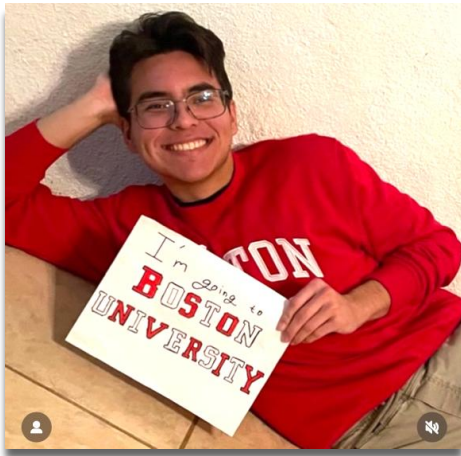
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Dear Members of the Stone Canyon Community Foundation,

Thank you for your support of STEP's mission and for your generous grant of \$30,000 on April 16, 2025! Your contribution will empower low-income Tucson students to achieve their dreams of a college degree.

The decision letters are in, and the STEP Tucson Class of 2025 has been incredibly successful. Our students have been admitted to all three Arizona universities, as well as Stanford, Yale, Cornell, Johns Hopkins, University of Chicago, and Smith, just to name a few. Meanwhile, 27 new sophomores were recently inducted into the STEP Tucson Class of 2027, and they've already proven to be an eager and ambitious group.

The full impact of your contribution is best articulated by our students. STEP Tucson senior Joel Dorame is heading to Boston University in the fall and has this to say about the road ahead:



When I received the good news, I was left speechless. It still feels unbelievable to me that I am really admitted to Boston University.

STEP played a huge role in helping me get admitted. STEP provided me with knowledge, guidance, and a step-by-step plan to help me pursue my once-wavering dream. They made it so my path isn't a worn small trail, but a highway with exits every which way, all leading to a promising future.

Stone Canyon Community Foundation Members, thank you for opening the door to opportunity for our students. Your continued support of STEP makes these landmark moments possible!

With gratitude,

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