MIAMI LAKES GRAHAM COMPANIES SCHOLARSHIP

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Briefly describe your community service experience, extracurricular and/or leadership activities.

I've completed Many different service hours in many different places. Some hours that I did were; Miami Lakes Senior lunch, brunch and bingo, FIU Roar A Thon, coach volleyball at the YMCA, Boy Scouts of America's and more. I'm a student athlete, also in clubs in school and coaching volleyball. This current year in Rho Kappa and missions club. I played school and club volleyball, soccer and cheerleading during my high school years. On my volleyball team I held the leadership role of captain. And I also play a leadership role of coaching a volleyball team.

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I have aspired to make the world a better place by starting in my town. I live in the town of Miami Lakes and I've been lucky to been able to help out others. Since I was young I would help my fellow community members here. It has been something I enjoy doing. I will aspire to continue to make the world a better place in whatever ways I can.

What have I done in the town of Miami lakes? When I was younger I would help my grandmas friends campaign for whatever they were running for. I would attend all the events that took place for their campaign to help them in what they needed. And I did that for a few years. I've also recently helped out my Miami Lakes community in attending the lunch, brunch, and bingo events. That was definitely my favorite event. This is because I like seeing others enjoying what they are doing. This showed me that by helping out in something so small it could be something so much bigger to someone else. One more thing I have helped out in is helping my local Boy Scouts community. I feel that doing little things like this has already helped me to aspire to make the world a better place.

For example, this past year in school I did a retreat called Hunger Fest. What this was was a retreat that we had to not eat for 24 hours and we had to make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and out together different bags for people in need. The next day we went out and delivered the bags. This is something beautiful I got to participate in because there is people out there that aren't lucky to have the little things like us in life. And many people take advantage of. Little things like this are things we can do to make our world a better place.

I will continue to aspire to make the world a better place in the future also. In this new chapter in life that I am going to, which is known as college. I look forward to joining clubs and taking part in events that I'm able to help others. I want to take part in things that will be

beneficial to others. I get more of a satisfaction helping someone rather then doing something that will only benefit me. And this is because I grew up helping others and not just my self.

My academic achievements include of being an honor role student throughout high school for a really good amount of time. These last two quarters in high school of my senior year I've achieved principal honor roll. Which is something great for my academics. I did this all while being a student athlete and a volunteer coach for volleyball at the YMCA through out all four years of my high school experience. I participated in jv volleyball sophomore year, varsity volleyball junior and senior year, varsity soccer junior year and cheerleading my senior year. I did this all with also outside sports such as club volleyball throughout freshmen and junior year. I also took AP classes and Dual Enrollment with St. Thomas University. I am proud of my academics for being a student athlete and being able to maintain my gpa and grades.

My future goals for myself include of going to law school and going into sports contacting. I want to help athletes with their contracts when they go into the big leagues. Right now I will be attending college in the fall. I plan on majoring in business administration with a minor in management. I'm still undecided if I want to double major but when the time gets closer I will figure that out. With the career I want to go into I will be helping other and in a way making the world a better place. And I know I will succeed in whatever I decide to do.

To whom it may concern:

My name is Katrina Figueroa, and I am a Mathematics teacher at Monsignor Edward Pace High School. I am writing this letter to recommend Madison Sofo for your prestigious scholarship. Ms. Sofo is an exceptionally gifted and well-rounded student. I have had the opportunity to teach Madison throughout her senior year. She works very hard and does her best to succeed in every aspect of my Probability and Statistics Honors class. My course is very demanding, but Ms. Sofo rises to meet every challenge head-on and has developed a strong drive to succeed no matter what obstacles befall her. Throughout her high school career, Madison has earned a spot on the honor roll several times. She perseveres in the face of adversity and will not give up, no matter the situation. I am certain Ms. Sofo will be a valuable addition to any student body, and I am certain that she will succeed at the college level, as she has succeeded in my and all her other classes. She is very deserving of a scholarship to help her achieve all of her goals.

Ms. Sofo is an exceptionally gifted student, and her talents in the classroom are undeniable. She has managed to maintain a high GPA, earning a 3.41 unweighted and 4.51 weighted grade point average. Her hard work and dedication are not limited to her efforts in the classroom. Madison has been heavily involved in school activities. She has been a member of the honor societies such as Rho Kappa and the Spanish Honor Society. Ms. Sofo has also been a member of Mission club and Key Club during her time at Monsignor Edward Pace and she was a member of Involved Teens while she was at Mater Academy Charter High School in her freshman and sophomore year. These are all service clubs where the students are encouraged to participate in activities that will help the community around them and those abroad. In addition to her academics and clubs Madison has also been a part of several different sports teams. Volleyball is her passion and throughout her high school career she has been on several teams. Ms. Sofo was part of a club volleyball team during her freshman and sophomore year. During her sophomore year at Mater Academy she was the captain of the JV Volleyball team and during her junior and senior years at Pace she was a member of the varsity volleyball team. In addition to her volleyball experience, Madison was on the Varsity Soccer team at Pace her junior year and has been a member of the cheerleading team during her senior year. It is clear that Madison is an outstanding student from both the academic and extracurricular perspective.

I have had the honor of knowing Madison Sofo this year, and I can honestly say that she is an outstanding student and a great asset to any program. Getting to know her this year has been truly incredible. Ms. Sofo has been a volunteer volleyball coach at the YMCA since she was in eighth grade and she shows such a passion for her craft and for the members of her team. I have been able to watch her eyes light up as she talks about "her girls" and how much she cares for them. Even with the thought of going to college, Madison has always tried to find a way to still be there as a coach for her team. She truly shows her dedication and commitment to

everything she does. I have watched Ms. Sofo work hard to achieve all her goals this year. She has proven herself again and again while challenging herself to grow each and every day. No opportunity is wasted on her. She injects such a passion into everything she does and shares this passion with those around her. She is most deserving of this scholarship, and to pass on this particular individual would be a lapse in judgment by the selection committee. I recommend this student without even the slightest hint of reservation.

It is my sincerest hope that you will consider Madison Sofo most highly to receive your prestigious scholarship, as I know that she will bring honor and recognition to herself and your organization.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this student. Sincerely,

Mrs. Katrina M. Figueroa

Mathematics Teacher, Class of 2022 Co-Moderator, Yearbook Adviser Respect Life Co-Moderator



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March 6, 2020

Miami Lakes Graham Companies Scholarship Committee,

I am pleased to be writing this letter of recommendation on behalf of Madison Sofo. Some of the things that are impressive about Madison are her determination, motivation, and ability to maintain excellent grades while juggling her many extracurricular interests. Madison is not one that likes to complain about extra responsibilities; in fact, the opposite can be said of her, as she actively searches for more responsibility.

Madison is also an energetic athlete, who plays varsity volleyball for Monsignor Pace High school. Participating in sports has promoted and enhanced Madison's persistence and commitment, as well as organizational skills, leadership abilities, and work ethic. Madison is respectful, helpful, trust worthy and stays positive, inspiring her teammates with her attitude.

I strongly recommend Madison, as I am convinced she will be successful in college, career and life. Do not hesitate to reach me if you require further information.

Sincerely,

Guidance Counselor

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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I am writing on behalf of Madison Sofo. Madison is currently a senior at Monsignor Edward Pace High School. I have had the pleasure of teaching Madison in my English IV Honors class this year.

The honors level English literature courses are designed for students who exhibit originality of thought, ability to grasp difficult concepts, and willingness to take risks. As her teacher, I have seen many examples of her academic excellence and talent, and have long been impressed by her diligence and work. Impressively, Madison's outstanding organizational skills enable her to successfully complete multiple tasks, with favorable results, despite deadline pressure.

Madison is one of my strongest students in my English IV Honors class. I am continuously impressed by her ease with literary analysis, and her ability to convey her insight to the class utilizing logic, textual evidence, and insight. It is also important to note that Madison is the type of student who always takes the initiative to help out fellow students who may not quite grasp the material as quickly as she does, and she does so in a way that is neither condescending nor boisterous. Though she is aware of her own intelligence, she has an air of modesty about her that makes her approachable, and well liked, among the faculty and her peers.

I believe her strong academic résumé is self-explanatory. However, what impresses me most is her ability to balance the rigors of her courses with her extracurricular activities and athletic commitments. Her dedication to academic excellence, and her perseverance outside the classroom, speaks highly of her character, her hard work, and demonstrates her phenomenal work ethic. These attributes are the cornerstone of personal character, and are representative of this exceptional young woman.

Madison epitomizes exceptionality. Her impressive qualifications illustrate the motivations and passions of an extraordinary young woman. I strongly recommend her, without reservation, and would appreciate your most favorable consideration for her application.

Yours sincerely, *Dr. Yvette de la Vega*

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