

March 31, 2020

Patrick Henderson  
Executive Director  
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Dear Mr. Henderson, Board of Directors, and Staff:

I am writing today to express my sincere appreciation for the interest free student loan your organization provided me in 2008. It helped fund my professional education and has proven to be one of the most beneficial gifts I have received in my life. I trust you have made a similar difference for the thousands of others your organization has helped over the years.

I believe that education is the most empowering force in the world. It has the ability to break down barriers to opportunity. It has shown the power to stop the vicious cycle of poverty, decrease crime, and increase individual health. For children, it is often the key to open the door to a better life. Despite all of this, the rising cost of advanced education coupled with long-term burdensome loans has led to a good question: "Is education worth it anymore?" It is unfortunate that we have allowed ourselves to that point. I take heart in the fact that organizations such as yours exist to help make education obtainable for anyone who desires to better themselves.

I am certain my life right now would be different if it were not for the interest free loan I obtained through Whitney Benefits. You all should be proud of the work you do and the positive impact you make on so many lives. A simple "thank you" doesn't feel adequate. Sometimes language cannot fully convey the message the we wish to send, but alas, it is the only way I have right now to convey my gratitude. I will always remember the help you have given me and hope to properly return the favor sometime.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Goodman", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Matt Goodman