

## OGE Energy Corp. Foundation announces 2020 OGE Positive Energy Scholars, awards total of \$180,000 in scholarships

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**OKLAHOMA CITY** — (May 7, 2020) Three Oklahoma high school seniors, along with their families, were surprised this week to learn that they will receive OGE Positive Energy Scholarships to help pay for college. Per year, each Positive Energy Scholar will receive \$15,000, which is renewable annually for up to four years, or a total of \$60,000 to cover tuition, fees, books or on-campus room and board.

The 2020 OGE Positive Energy Scholars are Trevor Hughes of Morrison High School, Gabriela Pinto-Ordonez of Edmond Memorial High School and Lynsey Mendenhall of Southmoore High School.

"Congratulations to Trevor, Gabriela and Lynsey on their selection as the newest recipients of our Positive Energy scholarships," said OGE Energy Corp. Chairman, President and CEO Sean Trauschke. "Education is a key component in building a workforce for the future and keeping our communities strong. We're proud to offer these scholarships as an investment in the future for these students and the communities we serve."

Each student, focused on finishing his or her high school career from home, was surprised by a parade of OG&E's Big Orange trucks, balloons and signs. School teachers, counselors or superintendents and members from each recipient's community looked on from a safe distance while OG&E officials presented the students with certificates.

"I'm thrilled that Trevor has been selected as one of OGE's Positive Energy Scholars," said Morrison Public Schools Superintendent Brent Haken. "He's already demonstrated deep involvement in the community and care for others as well as impressive academic ability. Students like Trevor deserve to be encouraged and supported, and I commend OG&E for investing in the future of our state in this way."

Hughes will attend Oklahoma State University. Pinto-Ordonez is bound for the University of Oklahoma.

"Thank you, OG&E, for helping deserving students like Gabriela pursue their dreams," said Herkisha Hardy, an Edmond Public Schools Career Counselor. "She has achieved a great deal early in life and has so much potential. This scholarship will alleviate a large portion of the financial burden of college."

Mendenhall will head to the University of Tulsa next fall.

"Lynsey has shown her passion for serving others and her academic commitment," said Ladawna Hunter, Southmoore High School Varsity Pom Coach. "Thank you, OG&E, for supporting students like Lynsey who will be the future leaders of this region's workforce. You are making a difference in our state!"

The OGE Positive Energy Scholarship, administered through the Oklahoma City Community Foundation, was established in 2019 and places preference on students pursuing a career in an energy-related field. Students in need of financial aid are also given preference. Eligible students must be graduating high school seniors from the OG&E service area (Oklahoma, western Arkansas); attend a college in the states of Oklahoma or Arkansas; have an unweighted GPA greater than or equal to 3.25; and receive an ACT score of greater than or equal to 25 and/or SAT score greater than or equal to 1200.

Since 2016, OGE Energy Corp. has provided more than \$1.8 million to fund scholarships for students in the OG&E service area.

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