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TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY  HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER.

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*School of Medicine*

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

From the age of five to my senior year of college, the same Family Medicine doctor guided me through the world of medicine. He stitched my leg, discussed how having minor scoliosis will impact my life, worked with me when I had surgery after a sports injury, and helped me overcome many sicknesses. I developed a trusting relationship with him, and I learned that forming long-term relationships with many patients is a unique aspect of Family Medicine. I will begin the FMAT curriculum this summer, receiving training that is intentionally tailored towards training skilled and compassionate Family Medicine physicians.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

Thank you so much for supporting me in my journey to become a physician. Your support will allow me to focus on classwork and involvement without worrying about making financial ends meet. My wife just finished her first year of Occupational Therapy, and she has two more years to go. We have discussed purchasing a used car because my 1999 vehicle is in its final days, and this will help meet that need. Additionally, I have a heart for serving others in my community, and this scholarship will allow me to allocate time to volunteer on a regular basis.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

Throughout this year in medical school, I have learned the importance of speaking with courage and humility. In the past, I would speak up in group conversations only when I knew most of the details of a certain topic, or if I knew something that nobody else in the group knew. I would seldom be the first to speak. I wanted to change that in medical school. I set goals to be the first to answer a question at least one time in each small group session, and that goal has cultivated fruitful conversations, thorough learning, and professional growth.