

Dear Ms. De la Torre,

First off, I would like to thank you for your recognition and dedication to ensuring students from under-resourced backgrounds like myself have the opportunity to learn about finance and get a head start in life to be able to compete in a world where the majority of those with a grasp of financial literacy come from privileged backgrounds. I admire your successes in the field of education and I am even more so moved by your donation because I too hope to one day to work in education and make a difference in the community that has helped me get to where I am today. It is through powerful mentors like you, that have helped me in various ways through my journey to success. I am very excited to be starting this journey of accumulating wealth, but am more excited and touched to be part of a program like Seed the Change that has shone a light on a fundamental problem: the lack of knowledge about finances in first generation students. I have gotten to where I am, but do not have all the skills that someone whose parent went to college may have. For those reasons, I am beyond thankful that you have chosen to participate in this program and have allowed me the opportunity to get a head start in saving money for my retirement. The ability to think that far into the future when the majority of my life money was about stretching a dollar and making it for the week is amazing, Again, I cannot say enough how admirable and touching your support of me and this program is.

Thank you so much,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kate Estrella". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.