Dear <<First\_Name>>,

Service often sparks unforeseen positive impact and change that spreads further than you imagine. I see the impact of these ripples every day in the students we support. Would you donate to City Year today to create your own ripple?

In City Year Tulsa’s founding year in 2015, donors like you supported City Year serving in Tulsa’s Webster High School where Hunter was a student failing his first semester of freshman year. Hunter says, **“I had never earned an ‘A’ in my entire school life!” But that changed when Hunter met Justin, a City Year Tulsa AmeriCorps member.** Justin would high-five Hunter every day which rippled into tutoring. Tutoring led to good grades, and good grades led to passing freshman year. As Justin’s year of service ended, he took a moment to write a note for each of his students. Hunter carried his note with him when he moved to another school without a City Year in his class.

Without City Year, Hunter fell back into his habits that lead to bad grades, and failure began to set in again. However, that ripple of a written note reminded Hunter that someone believed in him and it helped turn things around.

Hunter says that the note he got from Justin inspired him. “I reread it when I needed a pick-me-up or was worried about a test. Through hard work and perseverance and a lot of re-reading Justin’s note, **I graduated high school! I graduated with a 3.4 GPA.**”

An act of caring, like a year of service, writing a kind note, or sending a financial gift to City Year, continues to ripple through Tulsa and create positive impacts in our community. I recently learned the effect of Justin’s year of service with Hunter, not because Hunter had City Year but because **he *is* City Year**.

I am thrilled to share that the person in the City Year red jacket in these pictures is Hunter, who is serving in one of our schools this year like Justin served. Hunter has one goal this year: to impact one student’s life. I know that he is already exceeding that goal. Thanks to donors like you, Justin’s year of service rippled forward to Hunter’s year of service and through to Hunter's student now, Maria. Maria and Hunter have already built a strong relationship and to continue this impact, they need you to donate today. Hunter graduated high school on track and on time because Justin showed how our community cares. We want the same for Maria and students like her!

There are City Year red jackets across our schools creating ripples through inspirational acts of compassion every day. I invite you to donate today to stay connected to the ripples of hope in our community. Would you send your support for Hunter and Maria and all of our AmeriCorps members in our schools today?

In Service,

Paul G. Davis   
Executive Director

P.S. City Year members need your help to serve Tulsa’s students and continue the ripples that are changing Tulsa’s education history. **Will you consider sponsoring the one-on-one support a student receives through City Year?** Your contribution is critical to our community.