Dear (donor’s name),

Thank you for your generous award to me of (amount and name of the scholarship) from your scholarship program. Your support is helping me reach my goal of graduating in (term and year you plan to graduate) with a bachelor’s degree in (name your field of study). My family moved to Tennessee from Ukraine fifteen years ago.

As an immigrant, I cherish the opportunities that living in this country offers to me. After graduating from high school, I decided to study international relations with a focus on economic development issues. This semester I am also gaining valuable experience through an unpaid internship at the U.S. Department of Commerce International Trade Administration.

Because academic success is important to me, I have worked hard to graduate from University of Tennessee at Chattanooga summa cum laude. For the majority of my time in school I have worked full time to support myself, while contributing to the support of three siblings.

Your scholarship allowed me to reduce my work schedule to 20 hours a week in order to maintain my grades and accept the internship last semester. Again, thank you for your award. I hope one day to help others, as you have helped me when I needed your financial support.

With gratitude,

(Your first and last name)