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I was always told as a grade-schooler that my generation would change the world; we would be the future leaders. That is an idea that has always fascinated me because right now I cannot imagine anyone my age being the president of the United States or becoming a pioneer in STEM. However, I know that I will be proven wrong. I hope to possibly be the one to change the world, and I am driven by making this world a better place for those around me.

With my time in student leadership, I have had unlimited opportunities to be involved in community service projects which greatly impact people far and near. I have helped raise \$6,000 for an organization that supports families in the Silverton area who cannot afford basic living needs or Christmas presents for their children. I have helped advocate for and raise \$50,000 for Medical Teams International, an organization based in Oregon that helps people in the surrounding areas and across the world when devastation strikes. Assisting in projects like these has taught me that for the rest of my life, I want to uplift the underrepresented, the unsupported, and the often overlooked. My hopes are to be someone who can love on others while supporting them in their most vulnerable times of life — this is why going into the medical field is my life's calling. I want to become an obstetrician and gynecologist, or in other words, a women's health care provider. It would allow me to give women the attention and autonomy they deserve — we deserve to have a provider who isn't just there to make money off of us but to *listen* and make us feel safe and cared for.

To achieve this goal, I have started career exploration through a high school class called Health Occupations. It has helped me understand what being a health care provider means and how I will one day affect people. We have engaged in medical scenario roleplay and extensively discussed the ethics of medical decision-making. I am in the process of completing four years of Spanish and will major in Spanish so I can be a fully bilingual health care provider. It is crucial that providers are able to understand and communicate with those whom they are taking care of, because if we don't, then we will never create a trusting bond which leads to successful health care and education. Throughout my high school career, I have had an infinite amount of possibilities to give care to those who need it. This includes encouraging younger students in my leadership cohort, supporting friends and family through hardships, and advocating for community aid. I hope to carry forward with this legacy of care.

I believe, forever and always, that *everyone* deserves equivalent and accessible health care opportunities. I am eager to take larger steps towards building my future in college and beyond while always bringing along the smaller steps that have led me there.