



Media Advisory

Chloe Weiss, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL recognized for the Youth Energy Leadership Award.

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Manassas, Virginia – The NEED Project is pleased to announce the 2020 recipient of the Youth Energy Leadership Award to Chloe Weiss of University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, Alabama!

The Youth Energy Leadership Award was created by NEED's Board of Directors to recognize students who go above and beyond in their pursuit of energy knowledge and the teaching of others. This prestigious award is designed to honor students demonstrating effective leadership skills and energy knowledge throughout their association with NEED. NEED congratulates Chloe Weiss of University of Alabama on receiving the 2020 Youth Energy Leadership Award. This award includes a \$1,500 scholarship to be used for educational plans. Chloe just completed her sophomore year at University of Alabama and is majoring in electrical engineering.

Chloe is full of passion and her interest in energy and sustainability extends to helping others. Her involvement with NEED and having traveled to Zambia have influenced her future plans as she says, "I observed that the village I was in didn't have running water or electricity 24-hours a day. Taking the energy knowledge gained through NEED, I have developed a career path of electrical engineering so I can travel back to third world countries and help create a sustainable community for the people there. I'd like to create electricity for communities by using renewable energy sources."

Throughout high school Chloe helped run the Green Council, which overlooked her school's energy conservation efforts. She continues her efforts of teaching about sustainability with a new student demographic by helping implement a new Greek Life Sustainability Program at the University of Alabama. This program helps Greek involved students create an eco-friendly community, including teaching about recycling, changing to ecofriendly thermostats and upgrading to energy efficient lighting in Greek housing.

Chloe has been a part of the NEED Program for eleven years, including being on the NEED youth staff and more recently serving as an intern for the annual Youth Energy Conference & Awards. Her energy, enthusiasm and sense of humor help both staff and participants feel welcome and engaged throughout the week.

Congratulations to this extraordinary young woman. We look forward to seeing your passion continue to unfold in all that you do!

For more information about the NEED Project and the Youth Energy Leadership Award, please contact Mary E. Spruill at (703) 257-1117 or mspruill@need.org.

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