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Keene High School graduate Ayla Cordell received a \$5,000 scholarship from the Entergy Community Power Scholarship Program in recognition of her volunteerism and academic success.

According to Vermont Yankee Site Vice President Chris Wamser, Entergy established a scholarship program to assist employees' dependents that plan to continue their education in college or vocational school programs. "This scholarship program emphasizes community service," Wamser said, "Ayla's incredible list of volunteer community service makes her the perfect choice for this year's recipient."

"Ayla has always shown commitment to service and has volunteered time at Chesterfield School with the community garden, Reading Buddies at Symonds School, the REACT group at Keene High School, Keene Junior Lions and, as a member of Rotary Interact, has chaired various fundraising events including Pumpkin Fest and the annual Red Cross Blood Drive. She has served as both Secretary and Vice-President of the group. In her junior and senior years at Keene High School, she and other Interactors teamed to build homes, provide clothing, medicine and other necessities in the village of Talnique in El Salvador," Wamser said.

Wamser added, "Academically, she maintained high honors and will graduate sixth in her class."

Ayla will be attending Colby-Sawyer College in New London, NH with a major in Multi-Disciplinary Studies with a minor in Women's Studies and concentrations in Political Science and Social Justice.

Ayla's father, Jim Cordell, is Manager of Project Controls & Risk at Vermont Yankee.

