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Springfield's Isaac Crumrine Awarded \$1,000 IMUA Scholarship Program Award Check

Springfield, IL – Springfield resident and 2024 Riverton High School graduate **Isaac Crumrine** has been awarded a \$1,000 college scholarship award check by the Illinois Municipal Utilities Association (IMUA).

The son of **Carrie** and **Dan Crumrine** of Springfield, he is one of four finalists whose energy-related essays were chosen by a six-member IMUA Scholarship Program Judging Panel earlier this year.

Crumrine was presented his **framed award certificate** and **\$1,000 IMUA Scholarship Program check** by IMUA Director of State Association Services & Communications and IMUA Scholarship Program Coordinator **Ed Cobau** during the Tuesday (June 4) evening meeting of the Springfield City Council.

Crumrine represents the 8th winner from Springfield since the start of the program in 2000. He plans to attend the University of Oklahoma this fall.

"IMUA is proud to partner with the City of Springfield in helping to provide a measure of financial assistance in support of a student's college educational and career aspirations," Cobau said. "Both IMUA and the City of Springfield are dedicated to fostering an educational environment for all students, one which promotes a greater awareness of energy-related issues and which demonstrates the vital role the public power industry plays in today's business world. It's also one which recognizes that today's students are tomorrow's leaders," he concluded.

Essays written by this year's four winners were chosen from among entries submitted by eligible high school seniors in IMUA member communities statewide. The topic of Crumrine's winning essay was ***"The Benefits of Public Power."***

The remaining three winners of this year's essay competition are **Cannon Bernstein** of **Bethany**, a 2024 graduate of Okaw Valley High School; **Katelyn Davis** of **Waterloo**, a 2024 graduate of Waterloo High School; and, **Aiden Anderson**, a 2024 graduate of LaSalle-Peru Township High School.

Since its inception in 2000, IMUA's Scholarship Program has awarded more than \$68,000 to 108 students from various IMUA member-municipalities statewide.

Organized in 1948, the Illinois Municipal Utilities Association (IMUA) serves as the statewide trade organization for Illinois' municipal utility systems. It is comprised of, and represents the unified interests of, 50 municipally-owned and operated electric, natural gas, cable, water, wastewater treatment and telecommunications utilities throughout Illinois, including the **City of Springfield/CWLP**.

In addition, IMUA has two Affiliate Members and 49 Associate Members, which range from consultants, engineering firms and electric supply/sales contractors to manufacturers, construction companies and businesses providing environmental, billing and utility rate-design services.

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