

Shiland of Henry Abbott Technical High School named 2022 Viking Construction scholarship winner - \$4,000

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Shown are: Anthony Gaglio, Jr., of Viking Construction and Marisa Shiland.

Bridgeport, CT Marisa Shiland, the valedictorian of the 2020 Henry Abbott Technical High School graduating class, has been awarded the 2022 Viking Construction Education Scholarship. Shiland, who will be a junior at the University of Mary in Bismark, N.D., received the \$4,000 scholarship to use towards her pursuit of a construction management degree.

Shiland is on the cross-country and track team at the University of Mary. She was an intern at Claris Construction in Newtown, Conn., and holds several part-time jobs to help pay her tuition. Her career aspirations include working on large-scale construction projects such as new schools and hospitals.

Viking created this scholarship in 2012 to support the general community and, as much as possible, those pursing construction-related careers. To date, the company has committed \$44,000 to students. Applicants need to complete an in-depth submission and essay along with an in-person interview to be considered for the award, and they must maintain a 2.7 grade point average minimum to continue to receive the award.

Applications for the 2023 award will be available in the spring at http://vikingconstruction.net/pdf/VCS-Scholarship.pdf.

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