

Southwest Homebuilders Association Endowment: *Supporting Dreams*

Caleb McLendon may have never met Wendell Steward, but he is carrying on Mr. Steward's legacy.

The 2015 recipient of the Wendell Steward Scholarship, Caleb is on a journey to earn a degree in construction management. Mr. Steward was a highly respected construction expert in central Oklahoma who felt strongly about encouraging individuals to pursue a degree in construction management. Following his death in 2007, the advisors to the Southwest Home Builders Association endowment fund at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation made a grant to establish a permanent scholarship fund in his honor. The award is for students like Caleb, a Southmoore High School graduate who is enrolled in an academic or technological program that will lead to a career in the construction industry.

"I am very humbled and grateful for this support to pursue my dreams," Caleb says. "The scholarship really motivates me that much more to accomplish my goals."

Caleb McLendon, 2015 Wendell Steward Scholarship recipient, with Marvin Haworth, a long-time residential home builder in south Oklahoma City and a Southwest Homebuilders Association board member.
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