Iowa Rush would like to congratulate Connor Gatzke and Maria Jacavino on receiving the Ankeny High School - Dollars for Scholars scholarship sponsored by the Iowa Rush. Iowa Rush was excited to be able to contribute to two long time club supporters on their next step to college and beyond.

Connor Gatzke was most recently a part of the U18 Boy's Select team, upon receiving the award Connor stated:

"I started in the Ankeny Soccer Club program when I was little and continued when Iowa Rush took over the soccer program. I know that off the field soccer has taught me more than just how to play the game. I've learned how to work as a team, use critical thinking to strategize on making good decisions throughout the game, be a leader when it was needed and I've gained many life-long friends. These things will serve me well as I head off to college in the fall."

Connor plans will be attending Iowa State University this fall.

Maria Jacavino who played in the Iowa Rush Recreational Program stated:

"Thank you again for your generosity and support, you have lightened my financial burden which will allow me to focus a little more on the academic side of college life. I hope that I will one day be able to give back to my community as you have, whether through teaching or community service."

Maria plans on attending Iowa State University where she is planning on becoming a Spanish major with hopes of one day teaching in Spain.

Congratulations again Connor and Maria and we wish you the best of luck on your future endeavors.

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