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Ms. Jayme V. Ierna, Chair
Grants Committee
Petit Family Foundation
P.O. Box 310
Plainville, CT 06062

Dear Ms. Ierna:

Thank you for the Petit Family Foundation's grant to the University of Saint Joseph to support the "Women LEAD in STEAM" initiative. This funding will have a positive influence on current University of Saint Joseph undergraduate students and future students in the Greater Hartford community.

The continuation of the "Women LEAD in STEAM" initiative for the next academic year offers thought-provoking extracurricular activities and mentoring support for our students in the sciences, as well as the opportunity to pair USJ students and faculty with high school and middle school students, engage them with the arts, and encourage them to pursue science careers while developing leadership skills. Through this program, the present and future scientists of USJ are cultivated and guided toward their future careers.

We truly appreciate your grant for this wonderful program, and look forward to reporting to you on the results of your investment in the University of Saint Joseph and its students.

Sincerely,

Rhona C. Free, Ph.D.
President

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*On behalf of women in STEAM -
Thank you!
Rhona*

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