Sponsor a Student for 1 Year



Karo Kamave

Civil Engineering · PNG University of Technology

> *"Civil engineering clearly states its purpose. Civil means people."*

2nd of 49
ENGINEERING DIPLOMA
His class rank in his first semester at PNG's National Polytechnic Institute.

1st
HYDRAULICS & HYDROLOGY
Top of his class in one of the diploma's core water courses.

Engineer
ON CONSTRUCTION SITES
Almost a year with two construction companies after his diploma.

STATUS
Applying for 2027

DEGREE LENGTH
5 years

AGE
25

HOME
Korepa, Eastern Highlands

His story

Karo is from Korepa, a village in the Eastern Highlands of Papua New Guinea where Clean Water Help works. He earned As, the highest grade, in advanced math, chemistry and physics at Sogeri, one of the country's six national high schools, which admit students on merit. He went on to a two-year civil engineering diploma, then worked on construction sites. Now he has applied for the full bachelor's degree at the PNG University of Technology. His parents are subsistence farmers with a very limited income.

What he will do with the degree

- Upgrade the water supply system in Korepa.
- Improve sanitation, health and hygiene in his community.
- Build small bridges for his community.

What his instructors say

"An excellent performance. Karo has been a fine and sensible student who has displayed some commendable analytical skills, and has proved that he has the ability to achieve a top grade in this course."

COST OF SPONSORSHIP

$1,500 for the full year

Covers tuition, school supplies and living costs. Clean Water Help pays the difference.

PUBLISHED FEES, FIRST YEAR

Tuition	$900
Compulsory fees	$415
Laptop, first year only	$760
TOTAL	**$2,075**

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Statement of Purpose and Need

Karo Kamave · In his own words

To Clean Water Help: I am writing to express my enthusiasm for the Clean Water Help scholarship, and to explain why I am applying.

My education

I completed grade twelve at Sogeri National School of Excellence in 2021. I then studied for a Diploma in Civil Engineering at the National Polytechnic Institute of Papua New Guinea in Lae, a two-year program, and graduated in 2023.

My work experience

After graduating, I worked as a site civil engineer at Phimak Investment Limited and Kana Construction Limited for almost one year.

Why I am applying

This year I am applying as a non-school leaver to the PNG University of Technology in Lae, to study for a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering beginning in 2027. The engineering degree there used to take four years, and last year it was changed to five. The school fees will be a real challenge for my parents and me. My parents are hardworking subsistence farmers and do not earn much in a year. This scholarship would be a great blessing for my family.

What I will do after I graduate

The course clearly states its purpose: civil means people. After I complete my studies, I plan to improve the living standards of my community in whatever way I can, for example by building a small bridge, upgrading the water supply system, or improving community sanitation, health and hygiene.

Thank you for your time in reading my statement.

Karo Kamave

KOREPA, DAULO DISTRICT · EASTERN HIGHLANDS, PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Why We Recommend Karo

A note from Clean Water Help

Karo was our top-rated applicant for 2027. On paper he is the candidate most certain to succeed, and he has already studied how water systems are built.

He has already proven he can do the work

In all three of his diploma semester reports, Karo ranked in the top five of his class. The bachelor's degree is the next step toward leading projects himself.

Water is already part of his training

His diploma included courses in water supply and sewerage, where he ranked third in his class, and in public health engineering. A water system in a village like Korepa needs a local engineer who can design it, repair it and train others to run it. Karo already has the foundation.

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> KARO KAMAVE, IN HIS PERSONAL STATEMENT, OCTOBER 2026

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