Dear Professor Wang,

Two weeks ago I took a trip to Boston and New York City. While I was in Boston, I roamed the city, visited friends, and of course, toured the MIT campus. My initial goal in visiting Boston was to say thank you in person for the award. Unfortunately when I visited your co-worker across the hall, she told me you were in China. Nevertheless, I was able to see and experience an amazing city during my visit.

Even though we weren’t able to meet in person, I would like to say thank you for the award. It is an honor to have received this before I head off into the real, post-graduate world. It is incredibly inspiring to witness people like yourself contribute to students that you have never met, so they can pursue their goals while studying abroad. So I thank you not only for the award, but for also being a role model for students like myself.

Lastly, whenever I receive an award I do my very best to contribute and pass on my gift to the rest of the world. I have attached a thank you letter from a local Ann Arbor nonprofit agency called the Ozone House that provide shelter and other services for homeless and high-risk youth and their families. I chose the Ozone house as I read the history of your daughter and felt that it was best suited...

I hope to someday meet in person to say thank you.

Sincerely,
Albert Foo