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Media Statement

**SCHOLARSHIP LEADS TO A SECURE FUTURE**

Helping up-skill tomorrow's construction workforce, leading WA property group Pindan have offered a major scholarship to one of its young staff, Bradley Stringer, giving him an opportunity to secure his future in the industry.

The 32-year-old Shenton Park resident has been awarded the second annual John Skinner Award, contributing \$5000 to help pay for fees and text books in completing a Bachelor of Construction Management and Economics at Curtin University in Bentley.

Mr Stringer said he was honoured to be awarded the scholarship that would help propel his career.

"I'm really excited to receive the John Skinner Award because it means I can keep working in a job I'm already enjoying while I develop and grow my career at Pindan," he said.

"I've been working with Pindan for just over a year, which has already given me great experience, and I feel lucky they are so supportive of my academic goals and are flexible with my work hours to help me achieve them."

Mr Stringer has worked on significant Pindan projects including Stockland's Islands apartment developments in North Coogee and the State Government's Building the Education Revolution which will see new upgrades to many metropolitan schools.

Pindan's director of construction Andy Peppercorn said it was rewarding for the company to help budding property and construction workers and Mr Stringer was well-deserving recipient.

"One thing we really value at Pindan is helping our staff and colleagues achieve their best, so the John Skinner Award is a pleasure to hand out, especially to someone with as much potential as Brad," he said.

"I'm really pleased Brad won the Award this year because has shown us a real passion for the business and we know with the right education and support he can bring out all he has to offer."

The John Skinner Award is a tribute to the valued contribution a long-standing Pindan team member who lost his battle with cancer in 2008.

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