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KSU Student Wins CCWS Design Contest

MARIETTA, GA – Nicholas Rosati, Graphic Design student at Kennesaw State University is the winner of the Cobb County Water System (CCWS) 2025 Volunteer Shirt Contest.

CCWS partners every year with Kennesaw State University's Graphic Design class and asks the students to create an original work of art to be used on shirts given out to the utility's volunteers. The winner also receives a cash prize.

This year the students were given the quote "All aspects of our lives are tied to the health of our free-flowing streams.," by President Jimmy Carter, to use as an inspiration for their design.

Students met with CCWS staff for a month to receive feedback. They were later invited for a breakfast to officially present their design to CCWS for judging. Designs were voted on by CCWS volunteers. Nicholas' artwork was selected among 18 designs.

"The direction I wanted was to combine both the art and quote into a creative design that is easily recognizable from any distance. A wide variety of plants and animals are shown near a stream along with President Jimmy Carter's quote to the side. Together, this creates the shape of Cobb County to emphasize the importance of clean water within the county.," said Nicholas about his artwork.

The CCWS Volunteer Shirt Design Contest was created over 20 years ago to give graphic design students an opportunity of working with a real client while promoting a love of nature and learning about water stewardship.