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## Marge Ainsworth Scholarship Helps Fund Dreams Of Multiple Birth Children, Parents of Multiples

*Franklin, TN* - Multiples of America is helping to fund the dreams of multiple birth children and their parents through its annual scholarship awards. Each award is financed through the Marge Ainsworth Scholarship Fund in honor of the organization's first president.

The fund, which was started in 2015 through a vote of the membership, has awarded \$8,500 over the last seven years, with 15 scholarships presented to multiple birth children and two presented to parents of multiples. Awards have ranged from \$300 to \$1,000. A Scholarship Committee determines the number of scholarships available each year and the dollar amount of each based on funds available from donations received.

To be eligible, applicants must be a member of a member club of Multiples of America or be a multiple birth child of a member. Affiliate members and their multiple birth children are also eligible to apply. All applicants must be enrolled, or be planning to enroll, in a college, university, or trade or vocational school.

Marge Ainsworth was instrumental in building the dream that would become Multiples of America. It's an organization that started in 1960 with an idea and a meeting. Seventy-eight mothers representing thirty mothers of twins clubs from 10 states gathered to determine bylaws, elect officers, and create a structure for moving forward.

Those dreams, and a lot of hard work, created the beginnings of the National Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs, Inc. (now known as Multiples of America), an organization focused on supporting parents of multiples through education, networking, and research. It's a legacy that has been touching the lives of multiple birth families for over 60 years. Now the Marge Ainsworth Scholarship Fund is multiplying that impact one or two or three scholars at a time.

Find more information about the scholarship fund guidelines and application process on the Multiples of America website: <a href="https://multiplesofamerica.org/scholarship-fund/">https://multiplesofamerica.org/scholarship-fund/</a>

**Multiples of America (also known as the National Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs, Inc.)** is a 501 (c) 3, non-profit organization dedicated to supporting families of multiple birth children (*twins, triplets and higher-order multiples*) through support, education, and research. Founded in 1960, the organization serves nearly 7,000 members in more than 150 clubs across the country. For more information about the organization, its services, and benefits, contact our Executive Office, at info@multiplesofamerica.org