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Multiples of America Scholarship Helps Dreams Soar

Franklin, TN - Multiples of America is marking its 10th year of helping finance the dreams of multiple birth families through the Marge Ainsworth Scholarship. Established in 2015, it is now awarded annually to members, their spouses, or their multiple birth children. Over 20 students have been supported over the span of those years.

One of this year's recipients, Zierin K. Thomas, is a fraternal twin whose mother has been involved in a local club for more than 22 years. Zierin says the scholarship award has helped her see her dreams as "realities that were within reach."

"By easing the financial burden of my education, this scholarship gave me the ability to focus on my studies and my future with greater confidence and peace of mind. More than financial support, it gave me the opportunity to believe that the future I imagined for myself could truly become a reality."

Perrin Y. Thomas, Zierin's twin and one of the 2025 recipients, adds the award helped in paying for essentials that often come with a high price tag.

"I was fortunate to apply funds toward not only my textbooks, but also my study abroad course...Having the scholarship to offset those costs made it possible for me to focus on learning and exploring rather than worrying about how to afford it all. I am grateful for the generosity behind this scholarship and the lasting impact it has had on my education."

The Scholarship is named after Marge Ainsworth, who was pivotal in founding the organization and served as its first president. Its stated aim is to identify qualified students from multiple birth families, recognize their accomplishments, and help them achieve their post-secondary education goals. Funded through donations from local clubs and members, it's seen as part of the organization's commitment to investing in the future, according to Scholarship Chair, Pepsi Cordova.

"Marge understood the importance of looking ahead, and that same spirit continues to guide us today," Cordova said. "As we invest in the educational goals and future success of multiples, we strengthen not only the individuals we support, but also our organization and our communities. Through this scholarship, we celebrate and honor our past, support our present, and invest in the future of the multiple birth community."

For further details about scholarship eligibility and application deadlines, contact Multiples of America at info@multiplesofamerica.org.

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. Contact our Executive Office, at info@multiplesofamerica.org for more information.