# Northwestern Mutual Dedicates More Than \$400,000 to Childhood Cancer Survivors and Siblings Through Annual Scholarship Program

Company awards scholarships for largest cohort to date, opens applications for 2021

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 1, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- The costly treatment associated with childhood cancer can lead to long-term financial challenges, including questions of how to afford higher education. Northwestern Mutual is committed to helping children and families affected by this disease achieve their college dreams. The company, through its Foundation, today announced the 2020 Childhood Cancer Survivor and Sibling Scholarship program recipients and opened its application process for the 2021 program.

"Families impacted by childhood cancer are facing even greater financial and emotional challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic," said Eric Christophersen, president, Northwestern Mutual Foundation. "We believe these factors shouldn't stand in the way of college dreams. Now, more than ever, Northwestern Mutual is proud to support students who have overcome childhood cancer challenges as they pursue higher education."

The scholarship program was developed to alleviate the financial strain on families that often results from expensive cancer treatments by helping to fund school tuition and fees. Forty-three students, the largest cohort to date, have each been awarded a \$5,000 renewable scholarship (for a total of \$10,000) through this year's program. Each recipient has been affected by childhood cancer, either as a survivor or sibling.

The complete list of 2020 Childhood Cancer Survivor and Sibling Scholarship recipients is included below.

2020 Survivor Scholarship Recipients	
Name/State	School
Abigail Davis; Indiana	Lipscomb University
Abigail Pribisova; New Mexico	University of New Mexico
Adam Gregg; Washington	University of Oregon
Andrew Felsted; Utah	Brigham Young University – Idaho
Ava Mortier; California	Barnard College
Danica Nolton; Iowa	Luther College
Daniel Krekoska; Connecticut	Providence College
David Kotter; Utah	Brigham Young University
Elizabeth Kuhlmann; Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee
Griffin Rost; California	Utah Valley University
Hailey Combs; Kentucky	University of Kentucky
Harry Heiberger; Massachusetts	Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Jocelyn Shipman; Nebraska	University of Nebraska at Kearney
Johnny Kirkpatrick; Kentucky	University of Kentucky
Kaitlin Gartrell; Oregon	Pepperdine University
Kate Pierson; Utah	Brigham Young University – Idaho

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Kimberly Peacock; Montana	University of Montana
Maeve Smart; New York	Northeastern University
Michelle Dong; Ohio	Cornell University
Raquel Baskin; Pennsylvania	Penn State University
Rhea Jansen; Washington	Gonzaga University
Samantha Smith; Ohio	Cleveland State University
Sana Moezzi; California	University of San Diego
Thomas Horst; Idaho	Grand Canyon University
Wacim Benyoucef; Colorado	University of Colorado Boulder
2020 Sibling Scholarship Recipients	
Annie Voss; Wisconsin	St. Catherine University
Audrey Sylvester; Illinois	University of Minnesota – Twin Cities
Conrad Gregg; Washington	University of Oregon
Ethan Salmeron; California	Loyola Marymount University
Hannah Bhar; Arizona	Northland Pioneer College
Hannah Shell; New York	Harvard University
Joshua Amato; Ohio	Shawnee State University
Kaelynn Chandler; Idaho	Brigham Young University – Idaho
Kristen Caldwell; Maine	George Washington University
Lauren Witt; Kentucky	University of Kentucky
Levi Hancock; Ohio	Brigham Young University
Madeline Kling; Colorado	Colorado State University
Maria Gregg; Washington	Santa Clara University
Nick Shininger; Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin – Whitewater
Preston Gunter; Wyoming	Bridgerland Applied Technology College
Sarah McKenna; Washington	Pepperdine University
Shaddi Abdala; Florida	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Trent Kingsbury; South Dakota	University of South Dakota
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Applications for the 2021 scholarship program are open now through Feb. 1, 2021. Selection results are expected by May 2021. To learn more and apply, visit:

### https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/nmsurvivors/ https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/nmsibling/

To date, Northwestern Mutual has supported 113 scholars and contributed more than \$900,000 through its Childhood Cancer Scholarship Program. The program is administered through Scholarship America, an organization dedicated to developing scholarship solutions for student success.

This year, Northwestern Mutual donated \$300,000 to support the rapidly changing needs of families battling childhood cancer. Funding assisted families with essential grocery and travel expenses, in addition to bringing virtual childhood cancer camps to kids nationwide.

Since 2012, Northwestern Mutual's Childhood Cancer Program has focused on advancing childhood cancer research, providing family and patient support and serving as a resource to families managing the long-term effects of cancer treatment. With the support of Northwestern Mutual employees and financial advisors nationwide, the company has contributed more than \$30 million and funded over 400,000 hours of research through the program.

## About Northwestern Mutual Foundation

The mission of the Northwestern Mutual Foundation is to improve the lives of children and families in need. The Foundation has given more than \$386 million since its inception in 1992 and is designed to create lasting impact in the communities where the company's employees and financial representatives live and work. We accomplish this by combining financial support, volunteerism, thought leadership and convening community partners to deliver the best outcomes. Our efforts are focused nationally on curing childhood cancer, and locally on education, neighborhoods and making our hometown of Milwaukee a great destination. Visit Northwestern Mutual Foundation to learn more.

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