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**Wisconsin Council of the Blind & Visually Impaired Announces 2023 Scholarship Recipients**

June 26, 2023 – The Wisconsin Council of the Blind & Visually Impaired has awarded $2,000 scholarships to 10 Wisconsin students with vision loss who are pursuing postsecondary education during the academic year beginning this fall. The Council, which celebrated its 70th anniversary last year, has been offering scholarships to students with vision loss for most of its history.

This year’s scholarship recipients are:

**Saree Behm, Janesville, UW-Whitewater   
Grace Caine, Lowell, UW-Whitewater   
Lewa Diarra, Madison, University of Minnesota   
Zulikha Gondal  
Jayquan Jaeger, Madison, UW-Madison  
Jack Lichosik, Appleton, Fox Valley Technical College   
Kaylee Mueller, Campbellsport, UW-Green Bay  
Luke Robel, Colgate, Waukesha County Technical College   
George Tuttle, Drummond, Carroll University  
Joseph Tuttle, Drummond, Purdue University**

“It’s a privilege to help these inspiring young scholars overcome the significant educational and career obstacles all people living with vision loss face,” says Denise Jess, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Council of the Blind & Visually Impaired. “Our scholarship program exemplifies the Council’s mission of empowerment. Vision loss need not prevent people from pursuing the life they choose.”

Founded in 1952, the Wisconsin Council of the Blind & Visually Impaired promotes the dignity and empowerment of the people of Wisconsin living with vision loss through advocacy, education and vision services.

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