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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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