



LAURIE'S SCHOLARS

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Driving Impact: Swing for a Cause Supports Laurie's Scholars

Laurie's Scholars was honored to be a beneficiary of Wright Ford Young's inaugural Swing for a Cause Charity Golf Tournament this spring. This event was created to honor Bob Wright (Wright Ford Young Founder, Laurie's Scholars Director and CFO) who recently passed away.

Bringing together corporate partners, community leaders, and generous supporters, the event reflects a shared commitment to creating lasting impact through education and opportunity.

We are deeply grateful to Wright Ford Young and their partners for investing in our scholars' futures. Together, we are building pathways to possibility—one student, one opportunity, and yes, one swing at a time.



In memory of
Bob Wright



Turning Points Toward Hope: Meet Linh and Tho

How Laurie's Scholars Helped Linh Keep Going

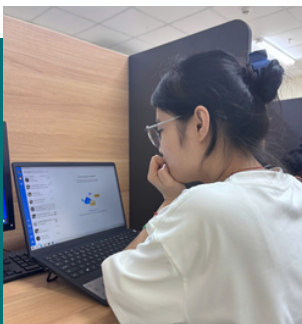
Ngo Thi Thuy Linh is a second-year Information Technology student at Vinh University whose life changed after a serious accident left her paralyzed in both legs. Learning to navigate life in a wheelchair while pursuing higher education was challenging, and financial barriers nearly forced her to give up on attending university altogether.

After finishing high school, Linh was accepted to the university but worried deeply about the cost of living far from home. She did not want to burden her parents and came close to abandoning her dream. At her most uncertain moment, she was connected with Laurie's Scholars—a turning point that made continuing her education possible.

While Linh's university waived her tuition due to her disability, daily living expenses remained a major challenge. Laurie's Scholars helped bridge that gap by providing a laptop and financial support, allowing Linh to focus on learning rather than survival. With this support, she has achieved strong academic results for two consecutive years.

More than financial assistance, Laurie's Scholars gave her confidence, hope, and the belief that she is not alone. She now aspires to become a software developer and hopes one day to encourage others with disabilities to pursue education, independence, and meaningful careers.

"Because of Laurie's Scholars, I was able to keep going when giving up felt like the only option."



Linh at University

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Tho Livestream

A Turning Point Toward Independence

Living with a physical disability since childhood, Tho relies on a wheelchair for daily life and has limited use of both arms and hands. For many years, uncertainty about the future felt overwhelming. That changed when Laurie's Scholars became a turning point—bringing hope, direction, and the confidence to move forward.

Laurie's Scholars provided critical support, including a photo-editing course, a laptop, and transportation assistance. Through this six-month program, Tho worked step by step to build computer and design skills, overcoming daily challenges along the way. Each small success brought growing confidence and a new belief: with effort and opportunity, progress is always possible.

After completing the course, Tho secured a part-time position with an interior design company, editing photos and writing online content. The mostly remote role fits well with mobility needs. In addition, a small TikTok business selling women's fashion shoes was launched—using newly gained skills in design, communication, and online marketing. While income is still modest, earning it independently has brought pride, joy, and greater confidence for both Tho and his family.

“With support from Laurie's Scholars, I learned that challenges are not barriers—but opportunities to grow.”



Tho at Work

Update from Peru

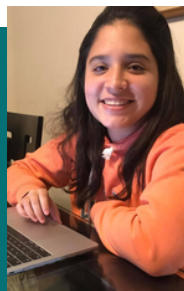
We're proud to share that our three university scholars currently studying in Peru continue to make meaningful progress toward their goals.

- Joseph, a first-year student, is pursuing a degree in Business and Systems Engineering.
- Nathaly, a senior studying Business and Marketing, is preparing for life beyond graduation.
- Juan Jose, also a senior, is completing his studies in Automotive Engineering.

Each of these scholars represents perseverance, dedication, and the power of educational opportunity. We are incredibly proud of their accomplishments and grateful for the support that makes their journeys possible.



Joseph



Nathaly



Juan Jose

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