



Bethesda Auxiliary recently continued its long tradition of awarding scholarships to deserving students: three will be granted to Bethesda North Hospital student volunteers and two will go to children of Auxiliary members. Please join us in congratulating our scholarship recipients:

**Claire Ellis** plans to attend Good Samaritan College of Nursing in fall 2026, with the goal of becoming an emergency department nurse. As a volunteer, she had the opportunity to work at Arrow Springs and in the Emergency Department and OBGYN at Bethesda North, as well as Good Samaritan's ED. Claire shared how much she values what she learned during this time: *"Most importantly, I learned that kindness and empathy can make a big difference for patients and their families during stressful times. This confirmed that I want to be in the healthcare and nursing profession"*.

**Marley Feng** plans to study Biochemistry at The Ohio State University, with long-term aspirations to become a physician in the field of Pathology. Marley volunteered during the summers of 2024 and 2025 in the Mother/Baby Unit, Same Day Surgery, Thomas Center Radiology, and the main lobby where she assisted with wayfinding and played violin.

In her scholarship application, Marley shared how much she valued being *"part of some of the most joyful yet heart-wrenching moments of people's lives, like playing [violin] at a patient wedding before the patient passed. I've realized that honoring a patient's final wish and witnessing the gratitude and bittersweet moments of the wedding will stick with me for the rest of my life"*.

**Izzy Masters** will attend the University of Cincinnati this fall with the dream of becoming a Neurosurgical Physician Assistant. As a volunteer, she worked in Same Day Surgery and CVICU, stocking rooms and assisting the teams in any way she could. In her scholarship application, Izzy emphasized how much she valued her time as a volunteer and that she learned *"lessons of empathy, awareness, and patient-centered care that cannot be simply told in a classroom and they will be the most important lessons for me in my future career"*.

#### **Auxiliary Family Member Scholarship Recipients:**

**Maura Lambers** is a student at Xavier University, majoring in Communications with a minor in Management. Over the years, she has volunteered at various community events sponsored by TriHealth, People Working Cooperatively, FreeStore FoodBank, and more. Maura shares that she *"appreciates every opportunity that I have received in providing service for the community with TriHealth"*. This involvement has inspired Maura to pursue a career in the nonprofit world after college. Maura's mother, Stephanie Lambers, is a TriHealth team member and Bethesda Auxiliary member.

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**Emily Woodruff** is majoring in Elementary Education at Western Governor's University. She loves children and has wanted to be a teacher for as long as she can remember. As Emily shares, her own experiences *"have given me even more empathy for students who struggle in school, and compassion to adapt to my future students' needs"*. She is also inspired to pursue her goals as an example to her own young daughter. Melanie's mother is Auxiliary member and hospital volunteer Tracey Stephenson.

Once again, we congratulate Claire, Marley, Izzy, Maura, and Emily and wish them luck!

The Bethesda Auxiliary is a volunteer organization that has awarded over \$90,000 in college scholarships over the past 26 years. This is only one example of how the group supports Bethesda's patients, team members, and the community. Please call, email or visit our website to find out more or to become a member: 513-865-1618, [Auxiliary@trihealth.com](mailto:Auxiliary@trihealth.com), <https://www.bethesdafoundation.com/about-us/auxiliary>.



*Marley Feng not pictured*