# SISU CHILDREN'S FUND

**MAY 2021** 



#### YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Jada was born with stiff joints and weak muscles, and is unable to lift her arms. At four years old, Jada and her family went to the Paley institute in Florida for major surgery and intensive six weeks of therapy. Now she is home and continuing her physical therapy and part of the therapy was to ride a special tricycle to help strengthen her muscles and give her some independence.

#### IT WAS LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT

Thora had to wait over a year for her sweet, loveable dog due to Covid and school not being in session, but finally in May she received her service dog.

Covid affected her families' ability to pay for this expensive therapy. Her father is self-employed with a small business and with so many in our country, the economy and other effects made it difficult. Sisu is happy to be able to help share the cost so Thora could get her dog and you can tell by her smile, she is very happy. Thank you donors for helping to make this happen.



#### **HOW WE SPENT YOUR MONEY**

We also provided scholarships for three children at the Northwest Therapeutic Riding Center And a specialized tricycle for a 14 year old boy who has been in a wheelchair his whole life. Now he can have some freedom to be with his friends and exercise his muscles.

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## SCHOLARSHIP AWARD



Ember Leese is graduating from Sedro Woolley High School and plans on attending Skagit Valley College to obtain an associate transfer degree in Biology. Her long-term plan is to continue at the University of Washington and persue a degree in Biological Engineering.

As a baby, Ember had a kidney condition that required surgery at 13 months old. This left her with some side effects that have continued to plaque her. Sometimes adversity gives a person power to be successful and motivated. This describes Ember.

The Covid problems we have all faced have been especially hard on students in their senior year, but Ember's A grades in Biology, Chemistry, Algebra, Geometry and Physics will carry her through her future education.

Congratulations Ember, we wish you success in whatever you decide to do in your future.

#### SPECIAL DONATIONS

Kathleen Flavin as a thank you to Ron Effa.

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#### **Important Dates to Remember**

#### March 15, 2021, Scholarship application deadline

Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2021 Board Meeting

Wednesday, May 12, 2021 Board Meeting

Wednesday, Aug. 11,2021 Board Meeting

Wednesday, Nov. 10, 2021 Board Meeting and Any applications for funding needs to be sent

prior to the above dates for consideration.

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