Receiving the Spread Your Wing scholarship means much more than financial support to me. It is a reminder of my hard work, dedication and my achievements. It is also an investment into my future. As I am preparing to attend Tuskegee University, this scholarship is lifting a financial pressure of my shoulders and allows me to focus on my education and future goals. This scholarship connects deeply to who I am as a student and activist. Through my experience in youth advocacy, I have learned the importance of using my voice to help others. Receiving the Spread Your Wing scholarships encourages me to continue to be a voice for my community and continue to step out my comfort zone. Most importantly it reminds me that I am capable of achieving my goal that I have worked so hard for, motivating me to continue to push through and Spread My Wings on to my next chapter.

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