

# Quarterly Newsletter

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-Juan Jose, LSEE Scholar



*Tiep from Vietnam, LSEE Scholar*

## Scholarships For Those Who Need It Most

The Laurie Schoendorfer Endowment for Education provides full scholarships for continuing education to students in wheelchairs who need it most. We currently work in Peru, Uganda and Vietnam, Scholarships are awarded based on the individual need and their desire to achieve greatness beyond what is expected of them. The annual cost of one student's education: room and board, transportation, books and school supplies may cost as little as **\$3,000**. For our scholars, this amount is unattainable. Many of those suffering from mobility-related disabilities have limited opportunities for employment and must rely on their family and friends to get by. Our scholars have the drive to achieve a higher education in order to turn their situation around and become providers to their family. By donating you are allowing for this dream to become a reality.

## Recruiting New Scholars

There are currently two students who have received scholarships to date. We are very pleased to announce that we have added a second student, Juan Jose from Peru, and are in the process of reviewing additional applicants from the three countries. We hope to add several more students in the next few months as we are working with partners in the host countries to recommend those individuals with determination and need. We hope you feel profoundly fulfilled by providing opportunities for a young person's education who faces these unfathomable challenges of mobility. This wonderful feeling is spreading to our colleagues in these three developing countries. Here is a testimonial from Lisa in Peru who helped us find Juan:

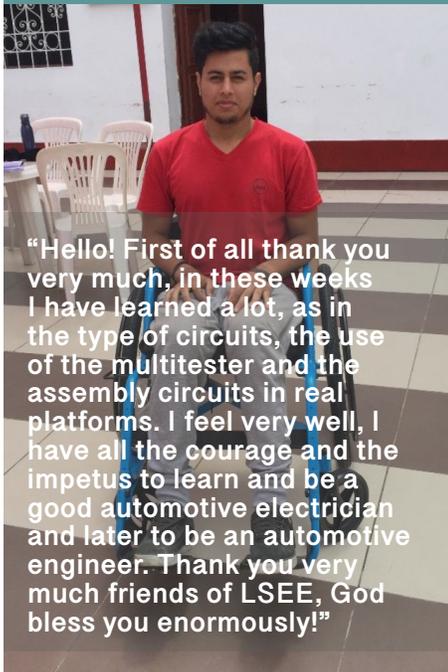
“What a fun job we have to give others this opportunity to help empower them through education to improve their lives! Juan Jose is really an inspiration to me personally! Thanks for letting us be a part of this endowment!”

## Striving for Success

Tiep from Hue City, Vietnam is in the midst of his studies for Graphic Design and has decided to further expand his knowledge by adding a new course. He is the first student to attend this university in a wheelchair and despite having no elevators and many stairs he is aided by many to ensure he has equal access to the classrooms. By breaking ground with his wheelchair, Tiep is also teaching a valuable lesson to his university community and setting a stellar example of how being disabled does not stop one from furthering themselves through higher education.



## New Student Begins in March



“Hello! First of all thank you very much, in these weeks I have learned a lot, as in the type of circuits, the use of the multimeter and the assembly circuits in real platforms. I feel very well, I have all the courage and the impetus to learn and be a good automotive electrician and later to be an automotive engineer. Thank you very much friends of LSEE, God bless you enormously!”

Juan Jose is 24 and living in Lima, Peru. He was a taxi driver studying to become a mechanical engineer at age 19, when he was injured and his life was forever changed. He was driving through a rough neighborhood and got caught in the midst of gang rivalry. The bullets punctured his spine and he has since been confined to a wheelchair and is now a paraplegic. He has not let his disability get in the way of his career as he has continued to work tutoring students in math and figuring out how to adapt his vehicle so that he can drive to his job at a factory. It is his dream to complete his engineering education and since receiving a wheelchair he is “empowered and motivated by God’s love”. March 9th was his first day attending classes at the Instituto Avansys.

## Please Contribute Your Support for Our Scholars

By supporting LSEE, you’re funding our scholars as they reach their educational goals and giving them the hope they need to dream bigger. To make a donation to LSEE, please mail a check to the following address or make a secured online donation at [www.lsendowment.org/donate](http://www.lsendowment.org/donate)

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From all of us at LSEE, Happy Easter and God Bless!