









## "Take Flight" Scholarship

Spread Your Wings (SYW) is an international organization dedicated to empowering young women around the world. We focus predominantly on access to education by fundraising to provide scholarships to young leaders within their schools and / or communities.

## What is the "Take Flight" Scholarship?

SYW aims to help young women "take flight" so they may reach their full potential. The Take Flight scholarship contributes to the four-year college tuition for one senior four or Secondary School graduate. Since this is still a pilot program, we are only committing to sponsoring two students in Bahr el Ghazal, South Sudan at this time. In years to come, we may expand the number of scholarship recipients and/or our region of focus.

Excellent candidates, initially from Bahr el Ghazal, are nominated by Ms. Makai, a teacher in South Sudan, and SYW's advisor on the ground. The final scholarship recipients are decided by the SYW team. Each four-year scholarship (to any public university in South Sudan) will be awarded on a yearly basis with subsequent years depending upon maintaining good standing in the community (e.g. good reputation, no legal issues, etc.) and a GPA of at least 3.0.

Each scholarship is roughly estimated to be worth \$2,000 over four years to go toward tuition.

## **Scholarship Runner-Up**

SYW may also choose to award a monetary prize to a distinguished and competitive scholarship candidate who does not end up receiving a "Take Flight" Scholarship. In such a case, the amount awarded is determined by the SYW team.

## **Current Action Plan**

- 1. July 2022: SYW representatives travel to South Sudan and award two college scholarships and one monetary prize to 2022 "Take Flight" recipients and a scholarship runner-up, respectifully.
- 2. The SYW team continues raising money for its ongoing scholarship and award fund.
- 3. The SYW team periodically checks in with each scholarship recipient to ensure they are meeting scholarship requirements and to continue to support each girl's success throughout university.