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Empowering youth living with, or family members who are living with, mitochondrial disease to focus on their futures.

Mathusa Inthirarasa
Scarborough, ON

Social Work (first year), Toronto Metropolitan University (formerly Ryerson University)

Mathusa Inthirarasa, a young woman who lives with mitochondrial complex III deficiency. Mathusa recently graduated from a Social Service Worker program and is now pursuing her Bachelor of Social Work, after which she hopes to pursue a Masters in Social Work.

“In terms of my career ambition, I would really love to work with patients in a hospital setting by becoming a Clinical Social Worker,” says Mathusa. “I envision my career will be to one day provide mental health supports to marginalized and underserved communities.”

MitoCanada is thrilled to support Mathusa in her educational goals. “I want to express my sincere gratitude to you for making the MitoScholars Scholarship Award possible,” shares Mathusa. “I was very happy and appreciative to learn that I was selected as the recipient of this scholarship. The financial assistance you provided will be of great help to me in paying my educational expenses. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me. Thank you again for your generosity and support.”