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There are moments in life when help comes not only as financial assistance, but as hope itself. For me, receiving the UPNAAI Scholarship Grant was one of those moments.

As a BS Nursing student, I have always understood that pursuing this course requires not only dedication and hard work but also significant financial resources. Nursing is an expensive program, and this became even more evident as I progressed through my studies and eventually entered my community internship. Transportation expenses, meals, uniforms, community duties, requirements, and daily necessities quickly accumulated. There were days when I worried about how I would continue meeting these expenses while staying focused on my academic responsibilities.

Long before my internship, I had already learned how difficult it was to pursue an education with limited financial resources. I still remember the years when I had to make a weekly allowance of only ₱1,200 last for an entire week. Every peso had to be carefully budgeted, and there was little room for anything beyond basic necessities. Many of the things that could have made studying easier remained out of reach because my family was doing everything it could simply to get by.

Coming from a family that already carried financial burdens, there were moments when I honestly did not know how we would continue supporting my education. The thought of additional expenses often brought anxiety, knowing that we had already experienced borrowing money just to cover important needs. Without scholarship assistance, I am not sure where we would have found the resources to sustain my studies, especially during the demanding period of community internship. There were times when it felt as though we would once again fall deeper into debt simply so I could continue pursuing my dream of becoming a nurse.

Receiving the UPNAAI Scholarship Grant changed that reality. The assistance significantly eased the financial burden on both me and my family. More than the monetary support, it provided peace of mind during a time when financial worries often overshadowed my



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academic goals. It allowed me to focus more fully on my studies, training, and responsibilities rather than constantly worrying about expenses.

What makes this scholarship especially meaningful is that it helped me attain many of the things I once only wished for. Resources and opportunities that previously seemed beyond our means gradually became possible because of the support provided by UPNAII. What once felt like distant hopes became attainable realities, making my educational journey more manageable and giving me greater confidence as I continued pursuing my goals.

The impact of this scholarship extends far beyond its financial value. It has helped lessen the burden carried by my family, strengthened my determination to complete my nursing degree, and reminded me that there are people who believe in students like me and are willing to invest in our future. During moments when the challenges of nursing school felt overwhelming, this scholarship became a source of encouragement and hope.

I am deeply grateful to UPNAAI for its generosity, compassion, and commitment to supporting students. Your assistance has not only helped me continue my education but has also given hope to my family during difficult times. More than supporting a student, you have helped a family continue believing that a better future is possible despite financial hardships.

As I near the completion of my nursing education and prepare to graduate, I find myself even more grateful for the support that UPNAAI has extended to me throughout this journey. Looking back on the challenges, uncertainties, and financial struggles that my family and I faced, I realize that this scholarship became an important part of helping me reach this milestone. Knowing that I am now close to achieving the dream that once seemed so difficult to attain makes me appreciate your generosity even more. Your support has not only helped me continue my education but has also allowed me to move forward with hope and confidence as I prepare for the next chapter of my life and career.

Thank you for believing in me and for helping make my dream of becoming a nurse possible.



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I hope that one day, as a registered nurse, I will be able to give back and extend the same kindness and generosity that was extended to me.

Taos-puso po ang pasasalamat ko sa inyo!

With sincere gratitude,

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