

# POP TABS FOR WHEELCHAIRS



The Robert Hampson Tabs for Kids Fund

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Dear Kim,

Thank you for your most recent donation of can tabs. We are very impressed with the dedication that you, and all who help you, have shown for our cause.

When we get home, we will pour your tabs into a box and search for anything that isn't a tab. Sometimes we find jewellery, bottle caps, plastic bread tabs, batteries, clippers and other items that we are unable to use.



Next, we will run a magnet through the tabs to take out any that aren't made of aluminum. These are saved in a different box.

Your tabs will then be combined with others we have sorted and taken to a metal recycler. Once there, they are dumped into a large box and weighed. The tabs are sold as aluminum, and the cash is deposited into the Robert Hampson Tabs for Kids Fund at Easter Seals. Easter Seals helps us to find a family who needs help to buy a wheelchair for their child.



In October 2020, we received a letter from Easter Seals telling us that we had supported the purchase of five new wheelchairs. The tabs you donated previously were put toward those wheelchairs. Thanks to you, Sarah, Jordan, Tristan, Johnni and Christopher now have the equipment they need. Here are their stories,



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"Sarah had outgrown her wheelchair and desperately needed a wheelchair that was bigger and had seating to give her the support she required. Her family's work insurance

only covers one wheelchair per lifetime and the family could not cover the remaining amount without assistance.

Jordan's wheelchair was expensive in part because she required lighter wheels so she could push the wheelchair on her own. Although, it was covered in part by the Assistive Devices Program (ADP) and her family's insurance, there was still an outstanding amount of over \$2,500. Jordan's family writes "We only want the best for our daughter. This will allow her to be independent and keep up with her peers."

Tristan needed a power wheelchair. The total cost of the wheelchair was over \$20,000 and even with the assistance of ADP and family's work insurance, there was still a very large amount owing. Without additional funds supported by the Robert Hampson Tabs for Kids Fund this the youth would not be able to go to school or get to medical appointments.

Johnni required a manual wheelchair with a tilt system. As a result of his disability Johnni requires full support from his head down and must stay in a seated position as he is not able to weight shift independently.

Christopher requires a manual chair. His family has a lower income and struggles to cover the cost of all the expenses they have because of his special needs. Without assistance from The Robert Hampson Tabs for Kids Fund they would not be able to pay for this wheelchair."

Thank you for your ongoing support. Without people like you, this would not have been possible! Together we can make a difference.

Sincerely,

Ralf

Robert Hampson

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