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## PRESS RELEASE

Two Bergen Community College Students Win Straight Road's 2015 Scholarship Essay Competition

Lodi, NJ – Straight Road will award scholarships of \$1,000 to two students at Bergen Community College for winning its 2015 scholarship essay competition.

Straight Road hosts an annual scholarship essay competition to award two deserving students with their "Finance" and "Health" scholarships. Essay topics focus on financial accountability and health conscious behaviors. The primary goal of this competition is to raise awareness around health and financial literacy in the community and nationally.

This year saw an increasing number of applications coming from Bergen Community College and so it was not surprising when winners emerged from the same institution. This year's winner of the of the Health Scholarship was Tiffany Lee Alvarez whose essay took the form of a speech that she would use to address trading partners of a small island (~1,500 people) that she was the health official for around the time of the Ebola outbreak in 2014. She outlined the steps you would take to educate her island community about Ebola, as well as the steps she would take to keep the island safe from the disease.



Photo of Tiffany Lee Alvarez

The winner of the Finance Scholarship was Jahree Morrison whose essay also took the form of a speech that she would use titled "Getting Through College On A Budget" to

address a freshman class at her college about the importance of budgeting.



Photo of Jahree Morrison

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