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In order to assist our residents with the costs of college education, the Friends of the Secaucus Public Library are pleased to grant a \$1,000.00 scholarship to one resident of the town of Secaucus, who will graduate high school in 2022 and will be attending college beginning in the fall of 2022.

The Friends are also honored to announce that, for the first time, we will be awarding an additional \$1500 scholarship, which is endowed through a generous donation made by the former congregation of the First Reformed Church of Secaucus and administered on their behalf.

To be eligible for consideration for both scholarships, applicants must complete the attached form and submit it to the Secaucus High School guidance office (for SHS students) by the date specified by the guidance department. Students may also submit their applications directly to the Friends of the Library by following the instructions on the Secaucus Public Library website (secaucuslibrary.org/friends-of-the-library)

In addition, you must have a current Secaucus Public Library card at the time that the application is submitted to be eligible for the scholarship. If you do not have one, you can easily get one at the library during regular operating hours. To obtain a new library card, you will need to show either a school-issued photo ID card OR a NJ Driver's license OR other identification and proof of Secaucus residency.

If you have any questions, please contact Library Director Jenifer May at (201)330-2083 x4011 or at may@secaucus.bccls.org. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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FRIENDS OF THE SECAUCUS PUBLIC LIBRARY SCHOLARSHIP

Student's Name: _____

Current Address: _____

Do you have a valid Secaucus Library Card? _____

What High School do you attend: _____

What college are you attending in Fall _____

2022: What field of study are you pursuing: _____

Extracurricular activities, both in and out of school, including Community Service (attach a resume/activity list)

REQUIRED ESSAY: Given the swift changes in our technological and societal landscape, how can libraries best serve their communities in the years ahead? What do you envision as the library of the future? (*Your answer should be approximately 500 words.*)

In addition to the required essay above, CHOOSE ONE of the following questions and answer it in 250 to 500 words:

1. Tell us about the importance of the library in your life in either the past or the present.
2. Discuss a book, graphic novel or poem that had a great impact on your life and explain why. This essay should not be primarily a summary of the literary work's plot or term paper style analysis of overall themes; we are interested in learning what it meant to you and how it changed your life or your worldview.

Please attach a copy of your transcript, with GPA and two Letters of Recommendation.

ALL INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.