



Perth Amboy Redevelopment Team for Neighborhood Enterprise and Revitalization

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P.A.R.T.N.E.R. AWARDS NINE SCHOLARSHIPS TO HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AND CONTINUING EDUCATION RECIPIENTS

Perth Amboy, NJ - July, 1, 2015 - The Perth Amboy Redevelopment Team for Neighborhood Enterprise & Revitalization (P.A.R.T.N.E.R.) hosted their 11th annual awards ceremony on Tuesday, June 30, 2015 at the Ed Scott Resource Center, located on 881 Amboy Avenue in Perth Amboy. P.A.R.T.N.E.R. is the sponsoring organization for the annual scholarship. This scholarship is awarded to graduating high school seniors and continuing education learners through the Achieving Success & Knowledge (A.S.K.) Scholarship Program. The recipients are selected on the basis of good academic standing, school attendance, and commitment to volunteerism/ community service, personal accomplishments, and progress towards the achievement of the City of Perth Amboy Housing Authority's Family Self-Sufficiency program goals. This year, nine recipients were selected and received a \$1,000 scholarship to be used towards expenses associated to their education. Each recipient was introduced by a P.A.R.T.N.E.R. board member and given a certificate of achievement and scholarship check.

Among the recipients, was Nancy Pietrobon, a student of the College of New Jersey, whose story of perseverance and strength of character exemplified the ceremony's prevailing tone of pride. Nancy had to take an extended leave of absence from school due to a life changing illness, leaving her paraplegic. Nancy never lost sight of returning to her classes to obtain her degree in sociology. "We are grateful for the scholarship opportunity and I look forward to making them proud once I graduate." Nancy is scheduled re-enter College of New Jersey in September 2015.

"On behalf of the P.A.R.T.N.E.R.'s board, we are blessed to give nine scholarships to these recipients of whom many are continuing their education as adult learners," stated Edna Dorothy Carty-Daniel, President of P.A.R.T.N.E.R. "It means a lot to these recipients as well as to us because we are partners in their educational success and future."



Back Row (from left to right): Delia Yili, Treasurer, Karen Medina, Fernando Gonzalez, Hector Motta, Douglas Dzema, Executive Director, Edna Dorothy Carty-Daniel, President, and Josephine Smith
Front Row (from left to right): Hailey Von Cruz, Annibal Hernandez, Alicia Rosa, Nancy Pietrobon, Yvonne Ayala, Darlene Rosa Gonzalez, Idalys Yarey Abreu, Quran Howard, and Dennis Sutton

About P.A.R.T.N.E.R.

Perth Amboy Redevelopment Team for Neighborhood Enterprise and Revitalization (P.A.R.T.N.E.R.) is a non-profit corporation established by Housing Authority of the City of Perth Amboy committed to creating housing and economic opportunities for low and moderate income families and individuals. The purpose of PARTNER is to provide services to Section 8 and Public Housing Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) participants. These services include, but are not limited to job training, career counseling employment opportunities, job skills, budgeting and stress management. These skills are offered to support the goal achievement of the participant in order to help them become economically independent. For more information, visit us at <http://partnernj.org/>