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Dr. Becky J. Smith Scholarship

Dear Foundation for the Advancement of Health Education,

I am interested in the Dr. Becky J. Scholarship and believe that I will be a great candidate for this opportunity. I am classified as a junior at The University of Alabama while maintaining above a 3.5 GPA. I am majoring in Public Health with a concentration in health professions, and a minor in psychology. As a public health major, my goal is to become more involved with my community. I was chosen to participate in a Public Health Program meeting on October 25th 2022 with the Faculty and Staff of Human Environmental Sciences at The University of Alabama. During this meeting I provided information that consisted of making the public health program helpful to many undergraduate students. I also joined The University of Alabama's College of Human Environmental Sciences Council of Engagement and Outreach for the 2022-2023 school year. My duties consist of attending meetings and events that can be beneficial to many students interested in public health. With my public health major, I plan on pursuing a career in community health. I developed an interest in healthcare because I saw how many people around me were affected because of the lack of information. Because of my experience as an African American woman I know what it's like to

see my community struggle with health problems caused by poor eating habits and lack of physical activity. This is usually from the lack of knowledge and resources in the community pertaining to the proper nutrients that are needed to nourish the body. I believe it is important that I make it my mission to properly educate people and provide them with steps to understand and have access to healthcare. My background is the reason why I chose public health as my major. Since I was a little girl, all I wanted to do was help anyone in need. I come from a low-income neighborhood where I watched my parents and grandparents work extremely hard in order for me to have a roof over my head and clothes on my back. They inspired me to have that same work ethic and also inspired me to want to give back to them and other people around me. They encouraged me to stay focused on my goals and to become involved with my community whether it was educational, physical, or financial. In high school, I realized that I wanted to further my education because I enjoyed learning new information and wanted to learn more about the world. When making this decision I didn't realize the costs of college and how much it would affect me. I expressed my concerns to my high school counselor and parents who encouraged me to apply for FAFSA and scholarships. I would be extremely honored to receive the Dr. Becky J. Smith Scholarship and to use this opportunity to further my education and give back to communities with knowledge about health.

Sincerely,

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