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COHASSET, MA, UNITED STATES, November 13, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [The Kulpa Foundation](#) is proud to announce the winners of the inaugural Brady Kulpa Dog Scholarship Fund, an initiative dedicated to providing financial and educational support to students experiencing economic hardships while emphasizing the transformative companionship and therapeutic benefits of owning a dog. This year's recipients are Anna Sun, a college junior at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and Shannon Hare, a college senior also attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Each winner will receive funds to support their efforts in caring for their dogs while balancing academic and financial challenges.

Anna Sun's winning essay detailed a profoundly moving experience with her family's first adopted dog. The dog's health declined due to an injury compounded by financial constraints that prevented proper veterinary care. Sun described how she dedicated herself to caring for her dog despite the lack of resources, ultimately losing him in a moment that underscored the painful connection between economic hardships and limited access to pet care.

Reflecting on the experience, Sun shared, "Today, a friend's pet passed away in the morning. That made me realize yet again how, to your pet, you are their whole life story. I want to ensure no pet owner feels helpless due to financial constraints. This scholarship allows me to continue pursuing my education and advocate for accessible pet care programs so no pet has to suffer as ours did. I dedicate this to Toby."

Anna Sun's story illustrates the necessity of support programs for pet owners, which can mean the difference between a pet's suffering and a healthier, happier life.

Shannon Hare's essay described her experiences with Eddey, her Goldendoodle, who faced severe digestive issues shortly after being adopted. Despite facing financial challenges as a student, Hare explored every available option to provide care for Eddey, leveraging local assistance programs and educating herself on canine nutrition. Her proactive efforts and community support helped restore Eddey's health and deepened her understanding of the critical need for accessible pet care.

“Receiving this scholarship is an incredible honor,” said Hare. “It will help alleviate some of my college expenses and allow me to continue caring for Eddey and advocating for greater support systems for pet owners facing tough financial situations.”

Hare’s journey is a testament to the power of persistence, community support, and assistance programs' impact on pet owners.

Brady Kulpa, [alongside his parents, Jason and Melissa Kulpa](#), established the scholarship program in collaboration with the Kulpa Foundation to provide financial and educational support to students facing economic hardships. The program aims to enhance the bond between students and their dogs, ultimately improving their mental health and overall quality of life.

About The Kulpa Foundation

Founded by [Jason and Melissa Kulpa](#) in 2024, the Kulpa Foundation strives to alleviate financial burdens for families facing medical crises. Inspired by Jason Kulpa’s father’s battle with cancer and Melissa’s athletic journey, the foundation offers grants, scholarships, and support programs to make healthcare accessible and empower individuals through education and sports.

For more information on the Kulpa Foundation and its initiatives, please visit <https://www.kulpafoundation.org/>.

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