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## FLATO Development Inc. Essay

My name is Precious Adesina, and I am currently enrolled in the Bachelor of Commerce program looking to do a specialization in accounting at York University. I am a Canadian by birth, but I come from a Nigerian household where both my parents were born in Ado-Ekiti, capital city of Ekiti State, Nigeria. I do identify myself as a member of BIPOC and I do look to pursue a career in either accounting, investing, or real estate. I want to say thank you to FLATO Development Inc. for this scholarship opportunity. I am submitting this essay to explain why I need this scholarship, and I hope I will be considered as one of the winners of the scholarship.

There are many reasons that I can provide in this essay about how the FLATO Development Inc. scholarship can help me out. The main way it can help me out is towards tuition costs for university. Currently, I am in summer school for the first time in my university years and this semester is especially important for many reasons. I am taking on a course load that many people probably would not even think to attempt in the summer term. I am doing five courses this summer as I want to be extremely busy and give myself a boost to finish my business program with a goal to graduate in Summer 2022. The courses I am taking this semester are Business Law, Intermediate Financial Accounting II, Finance, Taxation of Personal Income in Canada, and Management Cost Accounting. I have faced a lot of setbacks in my university journey and family life that has really gotten to me. From losing my grandmother before a final exam to handling unexpected family responsibilities, I have been through it all.

While many people may think that if one is experiencing so many challenges, the best thing to do is to drop out of school. I personally have no intention of dropping out of school. I have already come so far to just quit and I am no quitter and I want to be an example that even when the worst things happen to you, you can still come out successful. With such a heavy course load comes a high amount of fees to pay for. I am currently not working a job and have not had one for some time and on top of that, my parents are not in the best financial situation. This scholarship would help me by cutting down the costs towards summer school and that would be a huge relief on myself and my parents. Because of my family's financial situation, I have stepped in and contributed a large amount of money to help my parents but unfortunately, all that money is gone, and I really need to address my concerns which are my school fees.

The other way this scholarship can help me out is that I have a cousin named Mayokun that lives in Nigeria and unfortunately, things in Nigeria are not the best. There is massive corruption in the government and the government does not care about its own citizens. On top of that, Nigeria has a massive youth population who are either unemployed or uneducated. My cousin comes from a family that is struggling a bit. A lot of the things that I enjoy here in Canada he does not have the privilege of enjoying in Nigeria. From electricity to a laptop to good clothes amongst other things. In the past, I have sent him some money so that he can use that to support himself in Nigeria. But for some time now, I have not been able to send him anything. From time to time, he will ask but understands that I have my own things I need to address such as my school fees. But having this scholarship could help, I could give part of this scholarship to him, and he can use part of what I give him to save up for a laptop. I know that overtime with faith, the situation will improve it is just a matter of time.

To conclude, I am super grateful to FLATO Development Inc. to provide this scholarship to students. I would greatly benefit from this scholarship for a few reasons. Firstly, I am currently facing a massive course load and my family is not in the best financial situation. Having this scholarship would allow me to breathe a little and pay towards my outstanding fees. On top of that, my cousin in Nigeria needs some money for a good laptop for his university studies and having this scholarship could help him out by setting some money aside. I do hope that I am considered for the FLATO Development Inc. scholarship.