

# How Sharp Are You?

## The Sharps Compliance, Inc. Spring 2019 Scholarship Essay Contest

### Spring 2019 Scholarship Details

Accepting essays beginning: October 22, 2018

Entry deadline: November 28, 2018

Winners will be announced: December 7, 2018

First Prize: \$1,500

Second Prize: \$1,000

Third Prize: \$750

### Eligibility

To be eligible to win Sharps' scholarship, you must be a U.S. or Canadian citizen and have been accepted to or be currently enrolled full-time as an undergraduate in an accredited university for the Spring 2019 semester in healthcare-related studies. Proof of eligibility may be required.

### Topic: Sustainability

Sustainability is a buzzword in today's economy. This is specifically true as sustainable practices relate to recycling of items, especially in the healthcare industry. Hospitals and care systems that pursue sustainability initiatives find benefits in multiple areas. Their efforts contribute to a healthier environment, improve the organization's public perception, and can help their local communities.

The most recent push for healthcare sustainability through a recycling initiative is in single-use medical devices used in patient care. Please describe how the recycling of these items contribute to healthier communities – including reduced pollution and reduction of raw material use (in manufacturing).

### Rules and Regulations

- There is no entry fee or cost to the writer. No funds will be solicited by Sharps Compliance, Inc. now or at any time in the future with regard to this scholarship.
- The scholarship is not open to persons, or relatives, previously or currently affiliated with Sharps Compliance, Inc., in any capacity.
- All essays submitted become property of Sharps Compliance, Inc.
- Submissions must be 1,250 to 1,500 words.
- Essays are to be submitted with a signed copy of this form.
  
- You may submit your essay via email to [scholarship@sharpsinc.com](mailto:scholarship@sharpsinc.com) or by mail to:  
Attn: Michele Guzman  
Sharps Compliance, Inc.  
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- Cash prizes will be made payable to individual first, second, and third place winners.
- Sharps Compliance, Inc. reserves the right to pay cash prizes directly to the winner's university.
- The essays will be judged by a panel of individuals selected by Sharps Compliance, Inc. whose decisions are final. No discussions or rationale for their decision will be given.
- Please include contact information, as winners will be contacted via phone or email.
- All sources must be cited properly in order to be eligible to win.

**Direct any questions you may have to [scholarship@sharpsinc.com](mailto:scholarship@sharpsinc.com).**

**Eligibility**

In order to be selected as a winner, please fill out the information below, and attach a copy to your final submission. All applications received without this form will be automatically disqualified.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**University:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Major:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student ID#:** \_\_\_\_\_

**University Registrar's Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**University Registrar's Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Signature\*:** \_\_\_\_\_

\*By signing this form, you agree to all of Sharps' rules, regulations and eligibility requirements.