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## ESSEX COUNTY EXECUTIVE DIVINCENZO RECOGNIZES EMPLOYEES AND VO-TECH STUDENT DURING COUNTY'S APRILTEAMWORK AWARD PROGRAM

**Newark, NJ** – Entering his second term, Essex County Executive Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr. changed the format of the monthly Teamwork awards to highlight the academic excellence of a Vocational-Technical School student along with the hard work and dedication of three County employees.

**Wilfredo Acevedo**, a senior in the Welding Shop at Bloomfield Tech High School, has been accepted into the Civil Engineering Program at New Jersey Institute of Technology. As a participant in Bloomfield Tech's Cooperative Industrial Education Program, he is employed part-time at the Vac-u-Max Company in Belleville. A National Honor Society (NHS) member, Acevedo is a well rounded student who exhibits great leadership qualities as a member of the Senior Committee, volleyball team manager, and NHS tutor. Although involved in several extracurricular activities, he has maintained a straight 'A' average this school year. In addition, Acevedo organized aluminum can collection drives and created activities to raise money for the senior class.

**C. Kabir Baber** joined the Essex County Department of Economic Development, Training and Employment, Division of Training and Employment, as a Facilitator in the Essex County Job Search Initiative Program. Baber teaches customers who are receiving welfare benefits with the necessary skills to obtain and keep a job. He assists them with any issues that may hinder their employment, but most commonly helps improve their interviewing skills, resume writing, and teaches them appropriate business attire.

**Diane Varner** began her career in 1982 with the Essex County Department of Citizen Services, Division of Welfare, where she is now a Family Service Supervisor. She is responsible for supervising social worker staff, reviewing staff caseloads and preparing reports regarding cases, workloads and employee evaluations. Varner constantly goes above and beyond to serve customers and her dedication is admirable.

**Vickie Bellamy-Tyson** joined the Essex County Department of Health and Rehabilitation at the Hospital Center in 1977 and is currently the Laundry Supervisor. She works with several units to ensure proper care is given to the patients at the Hospital Center. Bellamy-Tyson is a dedicated worker who always goes the extra mile, staying through additional shifts to address the needs of the patients directly. She always Puts Essex County First, welcoming any tasks asked of her.