



HESAA HONORED AS BRONZE STEVIE® AWARD WINNER IN 2016 AMERICAN BUSINESS AWARDSSM

Trenton, NJ – May 13, 2016 – The New Jersey Higher Education Student Assistance Authority (HESAA) was named the winner of a Bronze Stevie® Award in the Best Annual Report - Online/Electronic category in the 14^{th} Annual American Business Awards. More than 3,400 nominations from organizations of all sizes and in virtually every industry were submitted this year for consideration in a wide range of categories.

The 2015 HESAA Annual Report entitled "HESAA's Tomorrow, Here Today" was evaluated by a panel of judges. One reviewer commented, "HESAA's 2015 Annual Report editorial team wonderfully showcases its mission to make higher education more accessible, affordable, and attainable for students and families." Others added, "The report offered a comprehensive and powerful overview," and "great resource information to help families."

"The judges were extremely impressed with the quality of entries we received this year. The competition was intense and every organization that has won should be proud," said Michael Gallagher, president and founder of the Stevie Awards. Details about the American Business Awards and the list of 2016 Stevie winners are available at: www.StevieAwards.com/ABA.

About HESAA

HESAA, the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority, is the only New Jersey state agency with the sole mission of providing students and families with financial and informational resources for students to pursue their education beyond high school. For more information, please visit: www.hesaa.org.

About the Stevie Awards

Stevie Awards competitions receive more than 10,000 entries each year from organizations in more than sixty nations. Honoring organizations of all types and sizes and the people behind them, the Stevies recognize outstanding performances in the workplace worldwide. Learn more about the Stevie Awards at: http://www.StevieAwards.com.