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Citigroup recognizes Rising Tide

Nonprofit Rising Tide Capital of Jersey City received a \$75,000 award from the philanthropic arm of financial giant Citigroup last week for providing "innovative services" in low-income communities.

"We are so overwhelmed and honored to receive this award in recognition of the passion and dedication of Rising Tide Capital's team," Alex Forrester, Rising Tide Capital's co-founder and chief operation officer, says in a statement.

The award, in the category of Microbusiness Development Organization, was presented at the Association of Enterprise Opportunity (AEO) National Conference in St. Louis, Mo.

"On behalf of the many inspiring, talented entrepreneurs we work with every year, we want to thank AEO and the Citi Foundation for investing in this work and this mission," Forrester says in the statement.

Rising Tide Capital was founded in 2004 to assist low-income individuals and communities through entrepreneurship.

It provides hands-on business training and year-round support to individuals seeking to grow their businesses.

Lab for Spa

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Latino residents in the Union City area now have a clinical testing facility that caters specifically to them on the corner of Bergenline Avenue and 43rd Street.

The Laboratorio Buena Salud, which is a branch of BioReference Laboratories provides clinical testing including blood work and urine analysis to its customers who are Spanish-speaking.

Eighty-five percent of the Union City community identify themselves as Latino, a press release stated.

Dr. Marc Grodman, CEO of BioReference, said the company is "proud to be here to make a statement that all people need care."

Grodman also said following the ribbon cutting that there are so many Spanish-speakers in the community, "language can't

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JERSEY CITY MAYOR Jerramiah Healy greets School 33 Principa Piccillo at the opening of the new Big Lots store at the Hudson Route 440. Healy cut the ribbon last Friday after the store's presented a check for \$1,500 to Piccillo for the school. Big L nation's largest broadband closeout retailer.

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