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## **Project 150 set to award most scholarship money in nonprofit's history**

*The scholarship luncheon is scheduled for June 28 at Texas Station*

**LAS VEGAS** – Project 150 plans to award more than \$87,000 in scholarship money to disadvantaged students at this week's annual scholarship luncheon event. The scholarship money will be the most awarded in the history of the nonprofit.

The money, which was raised by the Project 150 Youth Council, will be given to 40 deserving students served by Project 150. The students will use the money to attend Nevada colleges, universities, or accredited vocational training institutes. Since its creation in 2009, the Youth Council has awarded more than \$312,000 in scholarship money to disadvantaged students.

Media is invited to attend the scholarship luncheon on June 28 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Texas Station Conference Center, 2101 Texas Star Lane. Project 150 scholarship recipients will be available to share their success stories and plans for the future.

Without the scholarships and commitment from the Youth Council, many of the scholarship recipients would not be able to pursue higher education.

"It's amazing to be able to help these hardworking students overcome life's obstacles and continue their education," said Senia Roybal, Youth Council co-founder and youth programs manager. "We can't wait to see what the future holds for these students and the impact they will have."

Anyone interested in attending the event is encouraged to purchase a ticket or table for 10 people. Tickets are \$50 per person and \$500 per table. Businesses are encouraged to attend. For more information about tickets or to RSVP, please visit [www.project150.org](http://www.project150.org).

During the luncheon, guests also can register for the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Velasquez Memorial Scholarship Soccer Tournament hosted from Aug. 3-4 at Heritage Park in Henderson. The deadline to register for the tournament is July 25. The tournament is a scholarship fundraiser for homeless high school students served by Project 150. The event is organized in partnership with the Jimenez/Velasquez family and presented in honor of Angel and Jackie Velasquez.

Media planning to attend the scholarship luncheon can RSVP by contacting Tyler Richardson, B&P Public Relations, at (702) 372-9919 or [trichardson@bpadv.com](mailto:trichardson@bpadv.com). For more information about Project 150 or to make a donation, visit [www.project150.org](http://www.project150.org) or call (702) 721-7150. Follow Project 150 on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

### **About Project 150**

Project 150 is a 501(c)3 nonprofit charitable organization, founded in December 2011 by local businessmen Don Purdue and Patrick Spargur. The two heard about 150 homeless high school students at Rancho High School in Las Vegas who were in need of support over the Christmas break. Since that time, Project 150 has expanded and now serves more than 6,300 registered and non-registered homeless, displaced and disadvantaged high-school students in more than 80 schools in Nevada. Project 150 provides these students

with food, clothing, school supplies, sports equipment, shoes, college scholarships, workforce readiness, and other needs so they can continue school and be successful in life.

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