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What is Project 150?

History and Purpose
• A non-profit charity, that serves over 6000 high school students in need.¹
• Started in December 2011.¹
• They operate out of Southern Nevada and Reno
• They’re mission is to “offer support and services to... homeless high school students.”
• They believe that homelessness shouldn’t be a reason why students don’t receive a high school diploma
• They aim to provide students with the supplies needed to succeed in school.

Youth Homelessness in Nevada

Stats at a Glance
• Nevada ranks first for “unaccompanied homeless youth.” ²
• 24.7 percent of Nevada’s homeless population qualifies as “unaccompanied homeless youth.” ²
• This means an estimated 6100 of Nevada’s homeless population are under the age of 18
• Dropout rate of children of poverty is “six times greater” than those of higher incomes. ³

What to Do?
• Assisting these youths creates higher graduation rates
• A high school diploma alone can be worth an estimated $7840 more a year. ³
• Supplying clothes, stationary, toiletries, and food removes some of the burden
• Find ways of improving economic standings of local communities

Volunteering with Project 150

How I Shared my Time
• Receiving Donations
• Building food orders for in-need schools
• Stocking Betty’s Boutique

Reflection
• I was able to see just how in need those coming for help were.
• I realized that my contribution, though small, made an impact
• Everyone benefits from volunteering for a good cause.