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Project 150

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Introduction

History
• Established in 2011 after hearing about 150 Rancho High School homeless students
• It’s a non-profit charitable organization

Purpose
• Mission is to offer support and services so they can be successful
• To serve the needs of homeless, displaced, and disadvantage high school students

Paradigm
• Charity: trying to do good things and make a difference, but it’s only a temporary solution
• What happens next after graduation?

Social Issue Research

Social Issue
• Project 150 addresses youth homelessness in the Las Vegas Valley
• Serves 3,347 students in 59 high schools

Current State:
• Nevada leads the nation in homeless youth
• In Las Vegas, there are over 14,598 registered homeless students and over 3,347 of those are in high school. (Project 150)
• In the U.S there’s about 1,168,354 homeless youth (Rahman, Turner and Elbedour, 2015, p. 688)

Ideal State:
• For all students to have a safe place to go while they are finishing school and pursuing higher education

Approach to issue
• Provide students with support and resources
  • Ex: Clothes, food, hygiene products, school supplies, etc.

Experience and Making a Difference

Service to community
• Volunteered at Betty’s Boutique

Difference I made in my views and for the site
• Views: Changed my perspective
• Site: Helped students and was able to keep their Boutique clean and organized

Personal/Professional Learning
• Professional: my future career (school counselor) will be more demanding, but gave me a taste of what it will be like
• Personal: taught me to be grateful and appreciative for everything I have

Future Change
• Reduce the amount of youth homelessness

References: