

NEGATIVE POPULATION GROWTH

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NPG Awards Student Scholarships for 2020-2021 Academic Year

37 Students will Share \$45,000 in Recognition of their Posters and Essays Related to Overpopulation

Alexandria, VA, (July 16, 2020): Alexandria, VA – Negative Population Growth has announced this year’s winners of the Poster Scholarship Contests and Essay Scholarship Contest. 37 students from across the United States will receive scholarship awards ranging from \$3,000 to \$1,000 to put towards their college tuition. Students had 3 different opportunities to submit a project: the Handmade Poster Contest, the Digital Poster Contest, and the Essay Contest.

For the [Handmade Poster Scholarship Contest](#), students were asked to create a handmade poster on the theme of “Too Many People” and to convey the negative consequences of population growth. A total of 12 students were chosen to receive scholarship awards based on their winning entries.

For the [Digital Poster Scholarship Contest](#), students were permitted to use graphic design and digital art programs to create their poster. This variation of the contest was also built on the theme of “Too Many People”. A total of 12 students were chosen to receive scholarship awards based on their winning entries.

Students who entered the [Essay Scholarship Contest](#) were asked to write a 500-750 word essay on the following theme: The 2020 U.S. Census will begin in April. In the past, our nation has grown by tens of millions of people each decade and experts predict our population will exceed 400 million by 2060. Is this good or bad for our country? What three aspects of your life do you think will be most affected by that growth? A total of 13 students were chosen to receive scholarship awards based on their winning entries.

This year’s prizes are just a portion of the tens of thousands of dollars of scholarship money that NPG has awarded in recent years as part of their Youth Outreach program. This multi-faceted program is designed to get America’s young people focused on the disastrous future that awaits their generation if our nation’s leaders fail to recognize and act on putting forth workable, responsible, common sense solutions to today’s ever-growing population crisis.

In addition to sponsoring annual student scholarship contests, NPG has worked through the years with thousands of teachers nationwide who help bring the message about the vital need to slow, halt, and eventually reverse population growth to America’s classrooms. These efforts are funded by generous foundations and NPG members who are especially interested in leaving a livable world to their children and grandchildren.

In commenting on the awarding of the 2020 Scholarship Contests, Craig Lewis, NPG's Executive Vice President, noted: "The number of students participating in the program continues to increase every year. The uptick of student awareness is very encouraging. It shows that today's students understand that a nation and world of too many people will only fuel economic, social, and environmental chaos. Knowing that so many young people are willing to engage in the battle to protect our nation for generations to come bodes well for the future."

Founded in 1972, NPG is a national nonprofit membership organization dedicated to educating the American public and political leaders regarding the damaging effects of population growth. We believe that our nation is already vastly overpopulated in terms of the long-range carrying capacity of its resources and environment. NPG advocates the adoption of its [Proposed National Population Policy](#), with the goal of eventually stabilizing U.S. population at a sustainable level – far lower than today's. We do not simply identify the problems – we propose solutions. For more information, visit our website at NPG.org, follow us on Facebook [@NegativePopulationGrowth](#) or follow us on Twitter [@npg_org](#).