## **NEGATIVE POPULATION GROWTH**

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## NPG's National Poster Contest Awards Students Scholarships for the 2019-2020 Academic Year

Twelve Students will Share in \$15,000 for Posters Related to Overpopulation

Alexandria, VA (August 13, 2019) – Negative Population Growth has announced this year's winners of the first segment of the <u>Student Poster Contest</u>. Twelve students from across the United States will receive awards ranging from \$3,000 to \$1,000 to put towards their annual tuition.

The <u>winning students</u> competed for their scholarships by creating an original poster that illustrates the theme "Too Many People." Students were also asked to include the statement "Too Many People" in their artwork and to show how overpopulation will negatively impact our future. The contest was open to high school seniors and undergraduate college students who are enrolled for fall of 2019.

The first place prize of a \$3,000 scholarship was awarded to Annika Schwartz of Utah Valley University. The second place prize of a \$2,000 scholarship was awarded to Laisha Alezones of the University of Central Florida. Michael Brown of Dartmouth; Erik Cederquist of Purdue; Jordain Craig of Ohio State; William Harrison of the Colorado School of Mines; Keryn Jaimes of Florida Atlantic University; Nathan Jeandell of Memphis College of Art; Elaine Jung of the Pratt Institute; Nikole Molina of Oklahoma State University; Angela Tang of the University of California (Los Angeles) and Evondi Weston of the Kansas City Art Institute received honorable mention scholarships of \$1,000 each.

This year's prizes are just a portion of the tens of thousands of dollars in scholarship money NPG has awarded in recent years as part of our 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 soon recognize and act on putting forth workable, responsible, common sense solutions to today's evergrowing population crisis.

In addition to sponsoring an annual student scholarship competition, 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 through the generous support of NPG members who are especially interested in leaving a livable world to their children and grandchildren.

In commenting on the awarding of the 2019 Poster Scholarships, Craig Lewis, NPG's Executive Vice President, noted: "The number of students competing this year is record breaking. This increase of student awareness is incredibly encouraging as it reflects the fact that today's youth are becoming more and more aware 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 <a href="Proposed National Population Policy">Proposed National Population Policy</a>, 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 <a href="https://www.NPG.org">www.NPG.org</a>, follow us on Facebook

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