

ExxonMobil Honors Hispanic Students with Engineering and Math Awards

- -- Tenth year of ExxonMobil's partnership with Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards
- -- Efforts honor students across America for academic achievement and community leadership
- -- ExxonMobil has contributed more than \$1.7 million to benefit Hispanic students

IRVING, Texas--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- This fall, <u>ExxonMobil</u>, in conjunction with the Hispanic Heritage Foundation, is recognizing Hispanic high school students around the country for achievements in engineering and mathematics through the <u>Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards</u>. ExxonMobil has contributed more than \$1.7 million to the Hispanic Heritage Foundation in the ten years the company has sponsored the awards.

ExxonMobil's grants support scholarships for promising Hispanic engineering students, regional recognition events for high achievers across the United States, and mentorship programs.

Selection committees in 10 regions received more than five thousand applications for the 180 available awards. Committees elect three graduating seniors in each of the six categories to receive the honor based on academic achievement, community service and an essay about the importance of their heritage. Regional winners hail from 10 areas including Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, northern California, Phoenix, San Antonio, and Washington, D.C. Selection categories include Business, Education, Engineering and Math, Journalism, Leadership and Sports.

Additionally, one national youth award winner will be chosen from among regional winners in each category. National winners will receive an additional educational grant, laptop computer and a trip to the National Youth Award presentation in Orlando, FL.

"There is nothing more vital to our country's future than the creative minds who will keep America competitive," said Rex W. Tillerson, chairman and chief executive officer of Exxon Mobil Corporation. "Our goal as a company is to reach students with the programs, knowledge and support they need to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. We are proud to support the Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards and reach young people who have such potential."

In addition to underwriting the Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards, ExxonMobil supports a variety of programs that encourage students to develop a keen interest in careers related to math and science, promote the involvement of women and minorities in these industries, and improve effectiveness of math and science teachers. Nationally, ExxonMobil actively promotes math and science education through the ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer

Science Camps, Mickelson ExxonMobil Teachers Academies, Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day, and Sally Ride Science Academies brought to you by ExxonMobil, among others. Significant emphasis is also placed on increasing student involvement in the welfare of their communities through the Community Summer Jobs Program and Green Team.

About ExxonMobil

ExxonMobil, the largest publicly traded international oil and gas company, uses technology and innovation to help meet the world's growing energy needs. ExxonMobil holds an industry-leading inventory of resources, is the largest refiner and marketer of petroleum products, and its chemical company is one of the largest in the world. For more information visit www.exxonmobil.com.

ExxonMobil engages in a range of philanthropic activities that advance education, health and science in the communities where ExxonMobil has significant operations. In the United States, ExxonMobil supports initiatives to improve math and science education at the K-12 and higher education levels. Globally, ExxonMobil provides funding to improve basic education, promote women as catalysts for development, and combat malaria and other infectious diseases in developing countries.

In 2009, together with its employees and retirees, Exxon Mobil Corporation, its divisions and affiliates, and ExxonMobil Foundation provided \$235 million in contributions worldwide, of which more than \$98 million was dedicated to education. Additional information on ExxonMobil's community partnerships and contributions programs is available at www.exxonmobil.com/community.

About the Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards:

The Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards were created in 1998 by the Hispanic Heritage Awards Foundation in an effort to recognize and celebrate the achievements of Hispanic high school seniors across the nation and promote them as role models for their peers.

Throughout the United States, a total of 180 Regional Youth Award winners--three students in each of six categories in 10 cities--will be honored and receive educational grants during special ceremonies. Subsequently, one National Youth Award Winner will be chosen from the pool of regional winners in each category and will receive an additional educational grant, a laptop computer, a free trip to the National Youth Award presentation and to the national Hispanic Heritage Awards ceremony in Orlando, FL where they will be presented with their award on stage.

For more information visit www.HispanicHeritageAwards.org.

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