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TEACH FOR AMERICA-LAS VEGAS VALLEY RECEIVES \$150,000 DONATION FROM THE CAESARS FOUNDATION

Funds to Support the Recruitment, Training, and Ongoing Development of Las Vegas Valley Teachers and Alumni

LAS VEGAS, April 28, 2016— Today, Teach For America-Las Vegas Valley announced that the Caesars Foundation gifted the organization \$150,000 to support its efforts to expand access to quality educational opportunities for students in Southern Nevada. The Caesars Foundation is a private foundation dedicated to strengthening local community groups and programs and is one of Teach For America-Las Vegas Valley’s longest standing supporters, having granted the organization more than \$750,000 to date.

“We are incredibly grateful for the Caesars Foundation’s continued belief in and support of our work,” said Sean Parker, executive director of Teach For America-Las Vegas Valley. “We could not recruit, train, or develop the leadership skills of our teachers and alumni without partners like Caesars. With the support of partners like Caesars we’ve been able to cultivate 220 current teachers working in Clark County School District (CCSD) classrooms and more than 250 alumni working in the region.”

Since 2004, Las Vegas Valley corps members and alumni have been working with students growing up in poverty. Cross-sector partnerships with organizations like the Caesars Foundation have helped Teach For America provide innovative resources and trainings to sustain teachers and alumni as they work towards ending educational inequity in Nevada. The success of these resources and trainings is visible in the many Las Vegas Valley alumni who are leading classrooms or holding leadership roles in local organizations dedicated to making strides for low-income children and families. These alumni include people like Justin Brecht (Las Vegas Valley Corps ’04,) who was named 2014-2015 Clark County Teacher of the Year; the three alumni are now school principals; and the seven alumni who are a part of the inaugural class at University of Nevada, Las Vegas’s Urban Leadership Development Program – developed in partnership with Clark County School District to meet the need for great school leaders.

“We are passionate about education and actively seek out organizations like Teach For America who work diligently each day to provide opportunities to underserved communities in Southern Nevada,” said Thom Reilly, executive director of the Caesars Foundation. “For more than a decade we’ve supported Teach For America to ensure students have access to an excellent education – that’s one of the things that matters to us most.”

About Teach For America

Teach For America works in partnership with communities to expand educational opportunity for children facing the challenges of poverty. Founded in 1990, Teach For America recruits and develops a diverse corps of outstanding college graduates and professionals to make an initial two-year commitment to teach in high-need schools and become lifelong leaders in the effort to end educational inequity. Today, 8,600 corps members are teaching in 52 urban and rural regions

across the country while more than 42,000 alumni work across sectors to ensure that all children have access to an excellent education. Teach For America is a proud member of the AmeriCorps national service network. For more information, visit www.teachforamerica.org and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

About The Caesars Foundation

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