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Attn: Rotary Club of Sun City

Dear Rotary Friends,

We would like to thank you so much for all of your support for Richarte High School. Due to Rotary's support of RHS and of the Locker, we have been able to serve the needs of students in a far greater capacity than we had the capability to do in the past. We had a much larger graduating class this past year than in previous years. I can point out a number of specific students who stayed in school and earned a diploma specifically because of the increased support they received from Rotary and The Locker. We had the largest number of homeless students this past year ever. We were able to support them in many ways through your donations, gift cards, food deliveries, toiletries and personal items and other forms of support.

Your generosity also enabled us to provide our students with some traditional family or social experiences that many of our students have not had. I often take for granted simple things such as carving pumpkins at halloween, or building gingerbread houses at Christmas. These experiences don't seem like a big thing to those of us who have done that with our own kids, however this was a new experience for many of our students. Most of these students will be parents some day, and some already are. It is our belief that providing experiences like this for students will encourage them to prioritize spending time doing wholesome activities with their own children.

Richarte is many things, but one of the most important is that its existence is an investment in our community. Students come to Richarte for a variety of reasons, but the main reason is that they want or need something different from what the traditional schools can provide. Richarte students often stay in Georgetown after graduation. They go on to colleges such as ACC, trade schools like TSTC, go to work in the community, or become business owners. In the 30 plus years RHS has been in existence, we have graduated over 2500 students. I cannot even begin to express how much we appreciate you all and the support you have given to our students.

Sincerely.

Rob Dyer, Principal Richarte High School

cc. Karen Crosby, Ashley Frazier, Barb Barrett