
The Art Show Gives Back

Net proceeds from the 2018 Governors Art Show will support local homeless students and families as well as art students.

One third of net proceeds from the show will be donated to the **Thompson Education Foundation's Homeless Assistance Fund**. The fund – provides a variety of services for homeless students and their families – from gas and grocery cards to basic car repair and medical services.

The Thompson Valley School District had more than 700 students who qualified for assistance in 2016. This includes students living in motels, sleeping on a floor in a house occupied by multiple families, living out of a car, or living completely on their own due to a death, abuse or other reasons. Many of these students are working evening jobs in addition to attending school.

“The goal of the fund is to ensure education stability and success by providing support and assistance to



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students and families in homeless situations,” said Jana Ramchander, Thompson Valley School District’s Homeless Liaison. “You’d be amazed at what a difference these small things make at keeping a child in school,” she said.

“Many of these families may not have a house or permanent residence but are working hard and making the effort to have their children educated and get them to school. We knew this was a program we could get behind,” said John Kinkade, the event co-chair for Thompson Valley Rotary and co-chair of the Governor’s Art Show Board of Directors. Brian Nienhaus, director of The Loveland Rotary, agreed. “There are all sorts of causes out there but this is one that

has really hit home with the club and we need to do something to try and help,” he said.

In addition, the Governors Art Show is providing **art scholarships** to local graduating high school seniors. Artwork from these students will be on display at the show.
