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PROGRAM

Presentation of Colors and National Anthem
Eastwood High Jr. ROTC Color Guard

Invocation
Rev. James Brzezinski
Pastor, St. Francis on the Hill Episcopal Church
Board Member, Project ARRIBA

Welcome
Special Guests, Board & Team Recognition
Roman Ortiz, Chief Executive Officer

Special Team Member Recognition
Herminia Duran, Senior Case Manager
Jeremy Hensley, Chief Financial Officer

Recognized by Roman Ortiz
Chief Executive Officer

History of Project ARRIBA and Civic Engagement
Rev. Dr. Ed Roden-Lucero
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Participant Voice
Belinda Atienzo, RN EPCC
Introduced by Priscilla Estrada, Case Manager III

Maria Barragan, Surgical Tech EPCC
Introduced by Vikki Rey, Senior Case Manager

Jennifer Kuiper, RN EPCC
Introduced by Estela Flores, Case Manager II

Jessica Oropeza, RN BSN UTEP
Introduced by Mimi Duran, Senior Case Manager

SPRING & SUMMER 2017

Featured Investor
El Paso Electric
Eduardo Gutierrez, Vice President
Public, Government and Customer Affairs

Investor Recognized by Justin Chapman
President, Southwest Community Development
Hunt Companies
Board Member, Project ARRIBA

Keynote Speaker
Dr. Michiel Noe, City Representative
District 5, City of El Paso

Introduced & Recognized by Guillermo Silva, Jr.
Vice President, Community Outreach, El Paso Electric
Board Member, Project ARRIBA

Presentation of Graduates
Roman Ortiz, Chief Executive Officer

Rose Quade—Bonar Scholarship Fund Recipient
Marcus White, BSN Student at UTEP

Recognized by Roman Ortiz
Chief Executive Officer

Closing Remarks
Roman Ortiz, Chief Executive Officer

This class brings our total program graduates to 1,273
INVESTORS 2016-2017

AJ's Uniforms
AmazonSmile
Bank of America
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City of El Paso
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Commitment to Care Fund (Oscar & Lisa Leeser)
County of El Paso
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El Paso Electric Company
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Hunt Family Foundation
JPMorgan Chase Foundation
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NeighborhoodLIFT Program
Wells Fargo
Norma Melendez, Graduate
One Gas Foundation
Our Father's Foundation
Pastor Wayne Kendrick (Ret.)
Peace Lutheran Church
Rev. Ed Roden-Lucero, Board Member

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Robert D. Earp (EPCF)
Robert Snow
Rocky Mountain Mortgage
Stern Foundation (EPCF)
Texas Innovative Adult Career Education Grant Program
Texas Workforce Commission
Wagner Poyser
The Benevity Community Impact Fund
United Bank of El Paso del Norte
University Medical Center of El Paso
Wells Fargo Bank
WestStar Bank

Pizza Properties
Raymundo Maldonado Jr., Graduate
Richard & Karen Pearson
Rosie Carrasco
Selina Aguilar, Graduate
St. Francis on the Hill
Strategic Communications Consulting Group
Temple Mt. Sinai
Teresa Carlos
Texas Gas Service
The Hospitals of Providence
University Medical Center of El Paso
Wells Fargo Bank
Western Refining
WestStar Bank
Yolanda Garcia

Jim R. Phillips Endowment Fund
Billy Ray & Gloria Defrance
Castro Enterprises
Economy Cash & Carry
Kenneth P. Gifford Foundation
Martha Rochford
Nita Phillips
Omar Rios, Graduate
Rev. Dr. Ed Roden-Lucero
Wells Fargo Bank
WestStar Bank

Rose Quade-Bonar Scholarship Fund
Diana Arlet Yanez, Graduate
Melissa Carrillo, Graduate
Pedro Francia, Graduate
Roman Ortiz, Staff
Saii Perez, Graduate
Rev. Dr. Ed Roden-Lucero, Board Member

El Paso Giving Day
Bobbi & Rick Look
Claudia Ortiz
Leonel Ruiz
Priscilla Estrada, Staff
Rabbi Ben Zeidman, Board Member
Rev. James Brzezinski, Board Member

Dr. Michiel Noe
City Representative, District 5

Dr. Michiel Noe has served the citizens of El Paso for the last six years as Representative of District 5. Dr. Noe, born and raised in Odessa, Texas, arrived in El Paso in 1991 to complete his residency at Texas Tech School of Medicine. Upon graduating from medical school in 1993, Dr. Noe remained on staff at Texas Tech until 2001 when he opened his private practice in East El Paso. Dr. Noe currently practices at The Hospitals of Providence East Campus, where he was a founding member of its Executive Committee, has served as its Chief of Staff, and, currently, is a member of its General Board of Trustees. Dr. Noe also serves as the Chair of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, District XI, Section I (West Texas). In this position, he is honored to advocate for women’s health issues both in Texas and in Washington DC.

Dr. Noe has been a staunch supporter of Project ARRIBA since taking office and was instrumental in the approval of the $1.5 million, five-year Impact Fund contract between the organization and the City of El Paso in 2013. Other notable accomplishments during his tenure include: Securing funds for the development of two major parks in East El Paso, developing a strategic plan to combat the high euthanasia rates and low live release rates at Animal Services, the creation of the Social Host Ordinance to help prevent underage drinking, secured millions in federal funding for the region’s infrastructure and transportation needs, and connects regularly with his constituency by holding Community Meetings.

Dr. Noe is a graduate of the Neighborhood Leadership Academy, and is a member of The Rotary Club of El Paso. He and his wife Elizabeth have five children.
El Paso Electric, a regional electric utility that services west Texas and southern New Mexico, contributes to nonprofit programs and activities that positively impact the well-being of the communities they serve. Primary emphasis is placed on those organizations and programs that impact the long-term economic vitality of the region; impact the quality and accessibility of education, with a focus on furthering STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) related programs and scholarships; and meaningfully impact the quality of life of their customers.

Beginning with a $6,000 investment in 2001, El Paso Electric has now contributed more than $400,000 to Project ARRIBA’s workforce and economic development efforts that lift individuals from poverty into living-wage careers and promotes a higher quality of life in El Paso. This partnership has positively impacted the well-being of over 1,200 El Pasoans that are now equipped with the knowledge, skills and abilities needed to access family sustaining careers.

Private funding such El Paso Electric enables the program to provide the educational, financial, and social supports needed for an underserved population to access, persist in, and graduate with a marketable degree or credential, and, most importantly, be job placed. The underserved population includes, but is not limited to, low-income, minority, first-generation in college, single parents, veterans, and unemployed/underemployed adults living in El Paso County.

Rose Quade-Bonar Scholarship Fund

Graduates, don’t let the investment that was made in you stop with you.

*Invest in Project ARRIBA—Invest in someone else’s future!*

Go to [projectarriba.org](http://projectarriba.org) and click the DONATE button to “pay-it-forward”.

### SPRING & SUMMER 2017 GRADS

#### Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- Flor Baca-Nayares
- Ashley Barberena
- Celeste Muela
- Esther Murigi-Karanja
- Crystal Saenz

#### Licensed Vocational Nurse
- Diana Bustillo
- Sergio Garcia
- Diana Hernandez
- Julie McGowan
- Maribel Morales
- Ruth Munoz
- Leticia Napoles
- Miriam Rey
- Melissa Rodriguez
- Ivette Salais
- Viviana Vega

#### Medical Laboratory Technology
- Sergio Duarte
- Melissa Lopez
- Gladys Puebla

#### Physical Therapy Assistant
- Daisy Holguin
- Emilia Prempeh

#### Radiology Technology
- Lilibeth Camacho
- Amanda Escarsega
- Adrian Morales

#### Surgical Technology
- Maria de los Angeles Barragan
- Vanessa Ramirez

#### Registered Nurse
- Luz Aguirre
- Mayra Amezgua
- Mariano Aranda
- Belinda Atienzo
- Purity Cheruiyot
- Iris De Los Santos-Carrasco
- Ruby Fernandez
- Jennifer Kuiper
- Liliana Navarrete
- Jose Ochoa
- Nancy Rodriguez
- Edgar Sanchez
- Isaac Villado
- Jocelyn Wilson

#### Registered Nurse - B.S.N.
- Nadia Aguilar
- Maria Aguilera
- Ruby Arellano
- Juan Barrientos
- Cruz Calderon
- Monica Cepeda
- Jacqueline Chacon
- Ariene Chavez
- Kimberly Combs-Herrera
- Natalie Gaytan
- Jennifer Gonzalez
- Omar Guzman
- Andrea Ibarra
- Laura Mendez
- Endurance Ogiemade
- Jessica Oropeza
- Diane Perez
- Loretta Rivera
- Claudia Romo
- Olga Rubio
- Jordan Rule
- Melissa Shores
- Edgar Sifuentes