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WINNERS CHOSEN FOR “REPRESENT IF YOU’RE ABOVE IT” PHOTO AND VIDEO COMPETITION



The “REPRESENT IF YOU’RE ABOVE IT” photography and video competition was created by the Partnership for a Drug-Free America, Arizona Affiliate as an opportunity for teens statewide to find a voice when it comes to tough issues. Participants created a project that highlighted the skills and talents that help them stay above the influence of drugs and alcohol – whether it is playing sports, playing an instrument or showing off the next great recipe.

The photos were narrowed down to six finalists and the public voted at <http://www.PartnerUpAz.org/contest>. The results have been tallied and the grand prize winner in the photo category and recipient of \$250 is Ebrahim Sulaiman, a student from Basha High School in Chandler. The second place prize of \$150 went to Reyna Rivera from Maryvale High School in Phoenix.

The grand prize winner in the video category, who will also be awarded \$250, is Mary Sulaiman from Basha High School in Chandler.

“We were happy to have had such a great statewide response to the REPRESENT IF YOU’RE ABOVE IT contest both by participants and public participation,” said Colleen Pyra, program manager for the Arizona Affiliate. “All of our participants did a great job, but ultimately the public chose our grand prize winners. I think the most important thing is that all our participants helped spread the prevention message in a creative way.”

This contest was made possible by the generous sponsorships of the Phoenix Coyotes and Phoenix Suns.

About The Partnership for a Drug-Free America

The Partnership for a Drug-Free America was formed in 1986 by the communications industry to educate children, parents and communities about the consequences of illicit drug use and the benefits of living drug-free. The Partnership is highly regarded for its proven effective media campaigns and public awareness programs. Independent studies from academia, business and science document the profound impact of The Partnership's programs on attitudes and behavior.

The Arizona Affiliate was established in 2003 to carry out The Partnership's mission to reduce illicit drug use in Arizona while meeting the unique needs of communities. Through its programs, the Arizona Affiliate inspires and empowers Arizonans to join in a united effort to prevent illicit drug use among teens through community-based education. The Partnership is a non profit 501-c-3 organization.

For more information, visit the Affiliate website at www.PartnerUpAz.org.