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**SYLVIA HOPP SCHOLARSHIP WILL HELP SAN ELIZARIO HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS REALIZE THEIR COLLEGE DREAMS**

Scholarship established by CREEED will award one college-bound senior \$2,500

El Paso, TX - The Council on Regional Economic Expansion and Educational Development (CREEED) announced today that the Sylvia Hopp San Elizario College Scholarship Fund is now accepting applications from San Elizario High School seniors planning to attend college. The fund will award a graduating senior with a \$2,500 scholarship to help cover tuition or other costs associated with attending and completing college.

Eligible students must have a minimum GPA of 3.5 and completed dual credit or advanced placement courses. Students can download an application directly from CREEED at www.creeed.org/scholarships or a San Elizario teacher or administrator can nominate a student by submitting an application on his or her behalf.

Eligible San Elizario graduating seniors should apply by May 15, 2019. Applicants will be scored on their academic achievements, leadership and community service activities, and their commitment to attend a four-year institution of higher education.

The scholarship is named in honor of Sylvia Hopp, a former superintendent of the San Elizario Independent School District who retired in 2017 after 42 years of service in education. Ms. Hopp currently serves on CREEED's board of directors.

"We are delighted to have the chance to honor Sylvia's long career as an educator and administrator in El Paso schools while at the same time helping a student realize their dream of going to college," said CREEED Executive Director Eduardo "Eddie" Rodriguez. "This is one of

many ways that CREEED is working with schools across the region to reduce the barriers to college and increase postsecondary attainment for all El Paso students.”

The recipient of the Sylvia Hopp San Elizario College Scholarship will be announced at San Elizario High School’s annual Rose Ceremony on May 29. A full description of scholarship rules, eligibility, and selection criteria can be found at www.creed.org/scholarships.

CREEED is a not-for-profit education policy and advocacy group focused on creating measurable educational outcomes and dedicated to closing the achievement gap for El Paso County students. We accomplish this goal by investing in policies, programs, and initiatives that prepare students to succeed in college and in our future workforce.

To learn more about the Sylvia Hopp Scholarship Fund, please contact Cassie Flores at CFlores@rabengroup.com or 915-345-4952.