



Media Advisory

Chira Noce, Regis University, Denver, CO recognized for the Youth Energy Leadership Award.

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Manassas, Virginia – The NEED Project is pleased to announce the 2020 recipient of the Youth Energy Leadership Award to Chira Noce of Regis University in Denver, Colorado!

The Youth Energy Leadership Award was created by NEED's Board of Directors to recognize students who go above and beyond in their pursuit of energy knowledge and the teaching of others. This prestigious award is designed to honor students demonstrating effective leadership skills and energy knowledge throughout their association with NEED. NEED congratulates Chira Noce of Regis University on receiving the 2020 Youth Energy Leadership Award. This award includes a \$1,500 scholarship to be used for educational plans. Chira is currently pursuing a degree in environmental science with minors in both mathematics and physical education.

Chira certainly knows a thing or two about leadership! Throughout high school she was Secretary of Student Body Government, Freshman-Junior class Vice President, Spanish National Honors Society Vice President, Varsity Basketball Captain, and a member of Earth Club, Math Club, and the National Honor Society. At Regis University, she is in the Math Club, a STARS Energy Certification Member, and a Sustainability Club Senate Representative.

Her nomination from former teacher, Robert Lazar, expresses Chira as a very conscientious student. He says, "She always worked hard to reach her lofty goals and is driven to be successful in every endeavor she engages in. Because she sets a high bar for herself, people recognize this trait and can't help but look up to her."

NEED's philosophy is "Kids Teaching Kids" and Chira greatly demonstrated this as a student STEM Mentor at the 2019 STEM Innovation & Leadership Academy in Chicago, IL. NEED is thrilled to have Chira back with us again this summer, both as an intern for our annual Youth Energy Conference and Awards and as a student mentor for the 2020 Exelon STEM Academy.

Congratulations to this extraordinary young woman. She's one to watch!

For more information about the NEED Project and the Youth Energy Leadership Award, please contact Mary E. Spruill at (703) 257-1117 or mspruill@need.org.

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