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Youth Environmentalist of the Year Scholarship Award

Nevada City, CA—The South Yuba River Citizens League (SYRCL) proudly announces the 2020 Youth Environmentalist of the Year Scholarship winner to graduating high school senior, Amelia Heinritz. Each spring, SYRCL hosts the Brains of Nevada County Quiz Night to raise a \$4000 scholarship for a graduating high school senior furthering her or his career in environmental science.

This year's scholarship awardee **Amelia Heinritz** is a graduating senior from Nevada Union High School. She has been involved in NU's Green Academy & EcoClub, the Sacramento Green Focus Conference and she has interned with SYRCL her senior year helping with Wild & Scenic School Programs. She is a hard worker and committed to pursuing ocean conservation at Sierra College this fall.

"Due to COVID-19 this spring, the Quiz Night fundraiser was cancelled for public health and safety, however, this did not dampen SYRCL's promise to award a deserving student in our community" says Rachel Lubitz, SYRCL's River Education Manager.

SYRCL is committed to ensuring their scholarship recipients have the support needed for financial stability and day-to-day necessities while pursuing higher education. The Youth Environmentalist of the Year scholarship helps with **textbooks, supplies and other day to day expenses, thus allowing students the time to pursue opportunities that align with their passions.**

As part of #GivingTuesday on May 5, 2020, SYRCL will begin hosting an online fundraiser to support the Youth Environmentalist of the Year scholarship. To contribute to our community's future, donate at www.yubariver.org.

About SYRCL: The South Yuba River Citizens League is the leading voice for the protection and restoration of the Yuba River watershed. Founded in 1983 through a rural, grassroots campaign to defend the South Yuba River from proposed hydropower dams, SYRCL has developed into a vibrant community organization with over 3,500 members and volunteers based in Nevada City, CA. See: www.yubariver.org

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