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ERDT EnVision Donates \$2000 to VVC Foundation on behalf of VVWRA

ERDT enVision, a cross-cultural student exchange program, has donated \$2000 to the Victor Valley College Foundation on behalf of the Victor Valley Wastewater Reclamation Authority. VVWRA hosted 175 Chinese exchange students from the ERDT Envision program during 11 tours of its main plant over the summer of 2018. The exchange students were taught how wastewater is treated in the United States and given an up close look at VVWRA's water recycling and waste to energy programs.

"VVWRA has been a valuable resource for our students and we appreciate the help they have given in promoting cross cultural education", said ERDT Envision Executive Director Colin Churchill.

"As does VVWRA, ERDT Envision also partners with VVC. VVC has been a very valuable community resource when enVision needs an educational tour or guest speaker for our classroom work. We value our relationship with VVC, as we value our relationship with VVWRA, and look forward to expanding our community partnerships in the future."

VVWRA has a long partnership with Victor Valley College. 18 current and former employees have gone through the VVC internship program before working at VVWRA. The \$2000 donated by ERDT Envision to the VVC Foundation will be used for scholarships to students who are pursuing careers in wastewater and other environmental fields. "VVWRA continues to be a great partner with VVC and the VVC Foundation. Their continued support is making a difference at the college and in our community", said VVC Foundation Executive Director Catherine Abbott.

VVWRA will continue working with ERDT enVision with more tours for exchange students scheduled in 2019. "This is a great opportunity for us to educate future generations while sharing with the world the leading edge processes we use here at VVWRA", said VVWRA General Manager Logan Olds.

ERDT enVision organizes short-term Group (ESL/Cultural and Social Research in America), Individual (Home Stay, Ranch/Equestrian Center Stay, and Farm Stay), and Volunteer Ventures Programs. Every

year hundreds of international students participate in Homestay & Culture & Language programs in Victorville, Apple Valley, Hesperia, Oak Hills and Adelanto. This highly customized approach to foreign exchange programs allows them to match students with host families that will best suit the personality and goals of the student participating in the selected program.

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Photos:



(Photo 1: VVWRA's David Wylie and Xiwei Wang present the check from ERDT envision to VVC Foundation Executive Director Cathy Abbott and VVC President Dr. Roger Wagner.)



(Photo 2: Chinese exchange students take a tour of VVWRA's main plant in Victorville.)