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# Community Helps Foster Youth Beat the Odds with Gala and Fashion Show

**SACRAMENTO** – More than 60 foster youth and former foster youth will take to the runway as models at a **Casino Royale Fashion Show** on **October 9** as one of two events celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Foster Youth Education Fund (FYEF). FYEF is hoping to raise a record \$150,000 in support of “aged out” foster youth, providing them scholarships to attend college or vocational training. The group is also hosting its premiere **Casino Night Gala** – with big name guest croupiers expected – just days before the fashion show.

- Who:** **Foster Youth and Former Foster Youth**  
Elected officials, corporate leadership, community advocates, foster families and volunteers
- What:** **Events to Raise Scholarship Funds for Foster Youth**  
In the greater Sacramento area alone, 500 youth “age out” of the foster care system each year. Community support for foster youth is crucial because many of the youth have no family or safety net to help them attend school, find a job or pursue their ambitions.
- When:** **Casino Night Gala – Thursday, Oct. 6, 6-10 p.m.**  
California Chamber of Commerce, Esquire Building, Sacramento
- Casino Royale Fashion Show – Sunday, Oct. 9, 2-4 p.m.**  
University Ballroom, CSU, 6000 J Street, Sacramento

Tickets are \$100 per person/\$150 per couple for the gala, and \$25 for adults/\$15 for children/students for the fashion show. To purchase tickets, contact [tickets@fyef.org](mailto:tickets@fyef.org). Tickets will also be available at the door.

**Tax-deductible donations can be mailed to: Foster Youth Education Fund, 3323 Watt Avenue, Suite 253, Sacramento, CA 95821.**

Advance interviews with participating foster youth can be arranged.

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