Improving Education for Low-Income Students

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The Scarcity of Underrepresented Students in the Workplace and Higher Education

The Promise of Diversity Is Yet To Be Fulfilled
Poverty and Lack of Education Cycle

Why the poor stay poor and the rich get richer
The Cycle’s Effect on Higher Education and Success

The rate of obtaining degrees and graduation rates decrease tremendously for low income students.

Success later in life is largely dependent on education.

Source: Alliance for Excellent Education

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2005-2009
The Cycle’s Effect on Education

There is a scarcity of low-income and underrepresented students in the workplace and in higher education.

Source: Deseret News
Our Solution

ATM (Academic Support and Tutoring Resources and Motivational Programs) and A Reformed Tax System
Redistribution of Taxes

- Current tax system obstructs equity
- Our Mid policy
  - Promotes even distribution
- Impact on schools and low income students
ATM

A program to help kids who don’t have the right resources
We had our parents to help us do our homework and stuff like that and I think a lot of these students definitely don’t because either their parents are busy or aren’t super well-versed in the education system here. They really have to rely on themselves which is really hard especially if you are a kid who needs help doing your work.

-EXODUS tutor
Shivani Venkatraman
Our Activism Project

- PME
- Exodus
- Informing IMSA students
- Raising awareness
- Gaining support
Expected Outcomes

- IMSA students as tutors
- Guest speakers who come from low income backgrounds
- Outside of IMSA participation
- Expansion
Program Alternatives

Our Other Options

- Informational meeting for the public
- Fundraising for low income schools

Benefits of Our Program

- Connection with the legislation
- Taxes and our program
- Aspirations for college and higher education