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Southwest Airlines Shows Their LUV to Toussaint Academy's Homeless Teens

August 9, 2011 – Southwest Airlines awarded **40 round trip tickets** to **Toussaint Academy San Diego**, a transitional living program for **homeless youth**. The ticket giveaway is part of Southwest's 40th anniversary initiative to honor nonprofit organizations that help make our communities a better place. Toussaint Academy will use the tickets for college exploration, educational field trips, and to support staff development.

Toussaint Academy San Diego serves over 100 homeless youth each year through a combination of housing, supportive services, and aftercare. Over the last eight years, **90 percent of the program's graduates have gone on to college**. The program is part of Toussaint Youth Villages, a partner agency of Father Joe's Villages.

"Education is such an important part of breaking the cycle of homelessness and poverty," said Father Joe Carroll, President Emeritus of Father Joe's Villages. "This generous gift from Southwest Airlines will help to support and encourage our homeless teens to continue their education after high school."

For more information about Toussaint Academy San Diego:
toussaintacademy.org

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