D&I Las Vegas YMF Scholarship

Deadline: July 15, 2020

Scholarship Description: The D&I YMF Scholarship is a writing contest open to all UNLV College of Engineering students. To be eligible, candidates must be currently matriculated at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV).

Amount: $500

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Essay Length: 500 words

Essay: The novel pandemic of coronavirus disease, also known as Covid-19, spread to the United States in January 2020. The first case was identified on January 20, 2020, with the first fatality reported on February 29, 2020. The US Government declared a public emergency on January 31, 2020 and implemented a ban on most foreign nationals who had recently traveled to China. Since then, businesses deemed non-essential have been closed and a large population of the world is under shelter-in-place orders.

Per the Center of Disease Control (CDC), health differences between groups of people are often due to socio-economic conditions that are more common among certain racial and ethnic minorities. Many argue that the government’s response is fair across all ethnic groups. However, statistics show that minority groups are more likely to die from Covid-19 than their white counterparts.

In your essay, provide a plan to help the US Government deal with the disparities that exist across the country to help alleviate the spread of the disease across different ethnic groups.