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SENATOR SHAPLEIGH TO AWARD CHRISTOPHER ANAYA "ADELANTE CON GANAS"

"Christopher Anaya already has all the qualities of great leadership — ganas, cariño y siempre adelante! He also loves El Paso, which may be best of all!"

EL PASO - On **Tuesday, November 3, 2009 at 11 a.m., at Franklin High School**, Senator Eliot Shapleigh (D-El Paso) will **honor Christopher Anaya with the "Adelante Con Ganas" Award** for the month of November. Every month Senator Shapleigh awards one or more persons who have made an extraordinary commitment to service, family and community.

Christopher Anaya, a senior at Franklin High School, developed an interest in issues concerning the quality of life for the youth. After months of research, he discovered a void in the youth's ability in accessing information about issues that affect their quality of life, including available government and community services, resources, and opportunities. In result, with the support of Ventura Designs & Media, Inc., Christopher Anaya developed a recreational database of activities for El Paso's youth.

Christopher Anaya is now the founder and chief development officer of www.YouthLiving.org, which is a website dedicated to making this type of information accessible to the city of El Paso. www.YouthLiving.org is comprised of various topics including health and beauty, career building, education, entertainment, recreation, and other areas of interest.

"It is my desire to continue to identify issues affecting our community and to motivate our youth to become active and effect change that will result in a more healthy community," said Anaya.

Christopher Anaya has made numerous contributions to his community and school; he is a member of the National Honor Society, recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout, served on Franklin High School Student Council, member of El Paso's Youth Council, and was recently named TX UIL All-State wrestler.

"Christopher Anaya already has all the qualities of great leadership — ganas, cariño y siempre adelante! He also loves El Paso, which may be best of all!" said Senator Shapleigh

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Senator Shapleigh will honor Christopher Anaya at Franklin High School, 900 North Resler Dr., El Paso, TX 79912.

What: Senator Shapleigh to honor Christopher Anaya with the "Adelante Con Ganas" Award

When: Tuesday, November 3, 2009 at 11 a.m

Where: Franklin High School, 900 North Resler Dr., El Paso, TX 79912 ([Map](#))

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