LAST SATURDAY EVENING, MERE HOURS BEFORE RESIDENTS OF THE TERRITORY WOKE UP TO A FOOT OF SNOW, attendees at

Community

the Victoria Gold Yukon Student Encouragement Society's First Pour Gala to benefit *Every Student, Every Day* enjoyed a warm and festive evening to raise awareness and funds to help address student absenteeism in the Yukon.

This, the eighth annual Every Student, Every Day gala fundraiser raised over \$40,000 for the volunteer-driven initiative; which since its establishment in 2012. has worked with community partners and the Yukon Government to raise and distribute over \$400,000 to Yukon schools and communities to directly support grass-roots, community-led student attendance projects. Last April alone, after last year's fundraiser, \$100,000 was awarded to support 20 projects for the 2019-2020 school year. With the additional sponsorships garnered by Every Student, Every Day volunteers over the past months, it is anticipated that over \$150,000 will be available to support projects in 2020-2021.

"We're so proud to host this very special First Pour Gala in recognition of Victoria Gold, our key sponsor, and the company's achievement in advancing its Eagle Gold Mine to operations and its first gold pour in September,"



Gala attendees watch the debut of Victoria Gold's video; "Silver and Gold" capturing Eagle Gold Mine's first pour on September 17. The event raised \$40,000 for Every Student, Every Day.

says Victoria Gold Yukon Student Encouragement Society and Banyan Gold Corp. President Tara Christie. "We extend our sincere appreciation to all our sponsors and supporters and after seven years now, can see the tangible and positive impacts the projects we've funded through *Every Student, Every Day* are having on the labour market all because we've come together as a community to help keep our Yukon students in school. Each day. Every day."

EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY GALA RAISES \$40K TO MAKE \$150K AVAILABLE FOR PROJECTS

The Government of Yukon has supported *Every Student, Every Day* with a funding match up to \$25,000 since 2012 and this year, increased this match to \$30,000.

"Every Student, Every Day is a great way to encourage students to engage with their school community and develop healthy work habits and social skills," says Education Minister Tracy McPhee. "These projects help to improve school attendance and strengthen learning environments so that students can succeed. The Government of Yukon is proud to support Every Student, Every Day along with many partners who provide funding and in-kind support."

To learn more about *Every Student, Every Day* please visit **www.everystudenteveryday.ca** or find it on Facebook.



Victoria Gold President and CEO John McConnel and ESED President Tara Christie thanking the event attendees, sponsors and partners.



VICTORIA GOLD IS PROUD TO HAVE YUKONERS AT WORK

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ABOUT VICTORIA GOLD & THE EAGLE GOLD MINE

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