

Youth and Philanthropy Initiative

Overview

This assignment will require you to:

1. Look into a number of charities and choose one that you or your group believes is important; then research this charity in depth:
 - a. What is their purpose / mission? When, how, and by whom was it founded? Who are the staff and/or volunteers? How is it funded?
 - b. What kind of contribution do they make to the community? What services do they provide to the community? Why is this contribution important?
 - c. What, in particular, led your group to choose this charity? What made it stand out from the rest, and why do you believe in it? Provide at least one example of a person or family this charity has helped. What would the charity do with the \$5000 grant?
2. Present the above information to the class using power point as the foundation for your presentation. You may choose to incorporate other presentation forms as well (video clips, acting/drama, photography, personal interviews with beneficiaries of the charity, etc.)

**The top team in each CLE 10 class will go on to the finals and compete for the \$5000 grant.*

Group guidelines

- Select a well-rounded group of 2-3 people (or you can do the assignment on your own)
- Choose a team leader to coordinate group planning and meetings outside of class
- Use collaborative decision-making
- Ensure equal distribution of responsibilities (each team member researches, prepares for the power point for, and presents A, B, or C as listed above)
 - Each individual will be evaluated on their power point and presentation.

Research guidelines

- Research a number of different charities and narrow down your choices to 3.
- Collectively decide on the one you want to support.
- To qualify for the \$5000 grant, it must be a **local / grassroots / community-based registered charity** in the **social service sector (people helping people)**. You will need to obtain the registered charity # at www.cra-arc.gc.ca/charities. You will also need to set up, prepare for and conduct an interview. If appropriate, request a tour of the facilities and/or to meet the beneficiaries (you may also request permission to take photos and/or video footage)
- If you choose not to compete for the \$5,000 grant, you can research any charity – it can be a national or international charity, and you do not need to conduct an interview.

Presentation guidelines

- 10 minute power point presentation (see evaluation rubric on the back of this page)
- You may use other presentation tools as well if you like (for example, you might create a video and embed it in your power point, although it must be your own original creation – i.e., you cannot use a video that was created by the charity or someone else)
- All members will create and present their own power point
- Group presentations to take place two weeks before spring break
- Finalists to present to a panel of judges the week before spring break

For more information on the YPI program, go to www.goypi.org