## Youth Making a Difference

## Chairperson Responsibilities

#### <u>September – October</u>

- Distribute the Youth Making a Difference Letter and Commitment Form to all students
- Publicize the program through a kick off assembly, posters, articles in the school newsletter, or flyers to parents.

#### November

Begin collecting Commitment Forms.

#### <u>December - January</u>

 Hold a workshop to assist students in documenting their projects during lunch or recess or after school.

#### <u>February</u>

 Report the number of students who participated in the program to the Council chairperson by February 28 so invitations and certificates can be printed.

#### March

- Collect projects from all participants.
- Invitations to the Celebration will be sent to the school chairperson. Send one to each student and their family that participated in the program.

#### April

- Responsible for setting out student projects at the Celebration and for returning projects to the school or student after the Celebration.
- Letter from the superintendent, student certificate, and gold seal will be sent to the school chairperson or can be picked up at the Celebration. Put name on certificate along with the gold seal.
- Award certificate and letter to students at a time designated by the school chairperson and principal. This can be done at a special assembly, at your school's awards assembly, or by each classroom teacher.





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Youth Making a Difference is a program that encourages and recognizes volunteer efforts by K-12 students. Some students visit senior citizens, help collect money for the Livonia Goodfellows, or rake leaves at their schools. Other activities include school or community projects. Livonia PTSA Council recognizes the efforts of these students at the annual Youth Making a Difference celebration.

### **Suggested Activities**

Shovel snow for a needy neighbor.
Decorate a nursing home for the holidays.
Recycle bottle/can collections.
Do odd jobs for someone other than in your household.
Read to senior citizens.
Volunteer at a local soup kitchen or homeless shelter.
Be a parent helper.
Clean school or church grounds.
Help a teacher.
Collect food or clothing for a local shelter.
Sing holiday songs to hospital patients, senior citizens or people living in shelters.
Establish and fill animal feeding stations this winter.
Use your imagination!