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# DIANA ACTIVE CAMPAIGNER

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Dhanvi  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** Gems Our Own English High School  
**Country:** UAE

Although she is still in high school, Dhanvi has already been following her passion for environmental conservation for years. Her efforts include hands-on can collection, tree planting and word of mouth eco-awareness through social media. Her enthusiasm has inspired many around her and her devotion to earth's conservation has already made a difference. Dhanvi is an 'eco-warrior' and is said to always be ready to participate in such events as Earth Day and World Energy Day. She has also successfully competed in many eco-competitions, coming 1st runner up at Eco-Art and 2nd place in the Best Eco-Family contest.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Mohammed  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** Montserrado County Student Union  
**Country:** Liberia

At a young age, Mohammed Donzo identified Education as one of Liberia's greatest areas for improvement. Mohammed quickly began advocating change in the country's policies and in its education system. He was able to do this with not only great leadership, such as when he organized 3,000 students for a successful non-violent rally in front of the Liberian President to re-open schools after the Ebola Crisis, but also with strength and wisdom beyond his years. To date, over 1 million Liberian students have directly benefited from his advocacies.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Rohan  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** Toastmasters International  
**Country:** United Arab Emirates

At only 15 years of age, Rohan founded "Serve the Heroes", an organization which works to shine a spotlight on the unsung heroes in his society. Rohan's team at 'Serve the Heroes' has worked hard over the past 40 months to liven the spirits of over 7,000 labourers in the UAE and India. They have also worked closely with housekeeping and hospital attendants, underprivileged children and more through simple acts like serving and personally interacting with them. This Valentine's Day, Rohan wanted to do something special for a group of orphans so he organized a successful project which he called 'Spreading Smiles'. With the help of his teammates, he was able to collect numerous toiletries, food items, gifts, daily utilities and stationery items for the kids.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Mackenzie  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** St. Joan of Arc Catholic High School  
**Country:** Canada

At the age of 7 years old, Mackenzie Oliver founded the I Love Me Club, an organization that promotes self esteem and anti-bullying. To date, I Love Me has over 4,800 member worldwide and has evolved into a positive and vivacious community for its members. Over the years Mackenzie has also empowered her members to give back to the community. The I Love Me Club has taken in part in many fundraising efforts, Pride Day and has worked closely with Free the Children and Me to We. Currently, Mackenzie is fundraising to send herself on a mission trip on which she plans to share the message of I Love Me Club.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Aziza  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** Mobile Mini Circus for Children  
**Country:** Afghanistan

Aziza's role in the MMCC, Mobile Mini-Circus for Children, has established her as a groundbreaking leader for young women in Afghanistan. Traditionally, becoming involved like Aziza has in something such as the MMCC would be scrutinized by her society but she does not let that stop her. Because her position in the circus is considered unconventional, she has single handedly inspired many others to follow their true passions and to be brave with their dreams. In addition to her bravery, she has also stepped up among her own team to ensure organization, support and energy.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Nityashri  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** AFFILIATION OF DYNAMIC TABLE TENNIS ATHLETES IN THE UAE (ADTTA)  
**Country:** UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

By leading through example, Nityashri has embarked on a powerful crusade to educate others on the importance of sustainable living. She has been practicing collective recycling, participating in sapling plantation and has been gathering substantial statistical data to analyze CO2 emission reduction. In order to increase awareness, Nityashri shares her data with her many followers on social media and often with publications such as Gulf News, Gulf Today and GoDubai.com. Her natural leadership and speaking skills have allowed her to gain the respect and attention of her peers and since 2012 her recycling programs alone have been able to save 66.37 MT CO2 emissions, 175.3 M3 of landfill space, 577.1 MBTU energy savings, 246 trees and 248 gallons of gasoline.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** "Campaigners for Change"  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** SURE-Liberia (Campaigners for Change)  
**Country:** Republic of Liberia

Campaigners for Change have demonstrated compelling leadership qualities with while offering a united voice for children's right and welfare in Liberia. They are actively seeking opportunities for children in Liberia where education opportunities, shelter and general rights of children are abused daily. They have worked hard over the past two years to be advocates for those who do not feel they have a voice as individuals, especially victims of rape. Campaigns carried out by this group have lead to the passage of the Liberian Children Act of 2010 which now gives exclusive rights to Liberian children to legally compel the Government of Liberia to provide budgetary support to the National Children's Representative Forum. Notably, there has been a reduction in the number of rape cases as of 2015 due to the public awareness that have been created which has rightfully garnered both national and international attention.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** RR's Save Wildlife  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** Ryan Private School  
**Country:** United Arab Emirates

Campaigning through art, this group of passionate students have worked tirelessly to raise awareness against poaching and to encourage preservation of endangered species. The RR's Save Wildlife group was immediately moved after learning the figures and statistics about illegal hunting of elephants and rhinos. They swiftly organized fundraisers and offered their art as a means to crusade on behalf of the animals. Their selfless work has touched many and has encouraged conservation to many audiences.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Faatimah Maryam  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** GEMS Our Own English High School - Dubai  
**Country:** United Arab Emirates

From a young age Faatimah was recognized as a powerful and impressive public speaker. She has leveraged her natural ability to command an audience to help her reach her goal of promoting a healthy life for all. Faatimah has worked with various groups such as breast cancer survivors, special needs individuals and those with handicaps to gain a first hand understanding of the needs of our society. She has shared her learnings with campaigns to improve awareness around disease prevention and management. Her goal is to reach all of the diverse communities within our society in hopes that she can inspire better health far and wide.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Grace  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** Kickin' Violence  
**Country:** United States of America

Grace embodies the model of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience and the Girl Scout's mission "to build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place." Inspiration, dedication, and passion for her defined mission are words that I would associate with Grace. Her character has been strengthened through her varied experiences. Her resume, awards, and recognitions are not just a list of activities, but ingrained values achieved through hard work, resourcefulness, and resilience. Her confidence has been tested by running her nonprofit, Kickin' Violence, as well managing her other leadership positions, as she has learned to manage her time, deadlines, and disappointments. But when she fell down, she got back up. Her drive to serve others has led her to success.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Ziad  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** Redefy  
**Country:** USA

In 2013 Ziad founded Redefy, a teen organization committed to defying stereotypes, redefining perspectives positively and embracing tolerance. The idea was inspired by the daily bias he experienced growing up. In leading by example he has guided his team to accomplish many impressive goals such as reducing prejudice, combating discrimination and increasing social inclusion of students with special needs. Redefy is continually leading the charge with multiple campaigns, fundraising efforts and with their insightful Facebook page.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Maathangi  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** The Millennium School  
**Country:** United Arab Emirates

Maathangi is a celebrated academic with such credentials as the UAE Child Prodigy 2015 and was named as the only UNICEF World Education Games Ambassador in UAE & Middle East. Additionally, Maathangi has campaigned for education of children in disaster hit regions throughout the world. She has been diligently campaigning for the cause "Literacy and Education for all". She has collected and donated more than 2100 story books to libraries and charity establishments. Maathangi was also named one of the Dubai Expo 2020 Youth Ambassadors by the Prime Minister of UAE so that she may continue her work to better the community.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Mohit  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** The Millennium School, Dubai  
**Country:** UAE

Mohit is a passionate eco-warrior and dedicated volunteer who believes the conservation of the earth is a must. He is committed to preserving and protecting the environment and has led many campaigns and initiatives throughout his region to enforce environmentally friendly practices and policies. Apart from being an Eco-Warrior, he is a passionate philanthropist who dedicates himself to community and volunteering activities. Mohit has actively participated and initiated such efforts as "Give a New Life to your Old Books", "Save Energy, Save Mother Nature", "Recycle your Waste, Protect the Future". He was also the front runner in his school campaigns, "I'm Perfect Campaign", "Plant a Sapling", "Clean Up UAE", "Clean Up the World", "Earth Day", "Earth Hour" and "Lend a hand Campaign" to name a few.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Faatimah Irfaanah  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** Dubai Medical College  
**Country:** United Arab Emirates

Multi-award winner and distinguished medical student, Faatimah, has been campaigning to showcase the importance of living a healthy and sustainable life. She actively strives to promote her personal motto of "Caring for Life" as she takes the creative approach to raise awareness while campaigning at schools, hospitals, clinics and more. It is through drama, dance and song that Faatimah is able to communicate her message and it is because of her inspiring presence that she is able to guide others in finding their inner potential to live a life of balance and longevity.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Harshith  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** OUR OWN ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BRANCH  
**Country:** UAE

Notably, Harshith founded his own organization which encourages students from various schools to stand united against various issues. This courageous group are advocates for such issues as; education in poverty stricken areas and aiding victims of calamities. Harshith's pursuit of 'Global Happiness' has lead him to contribute to various publications in which he shares his views on social warfare and how to make a difference. His humanitarian efforts helped and inspired many across his country to do the same.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Oshnel  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** National Secondary Students' Council  
**Country:** Jamaica

Overcoming adversity, Oshnel embarked on a journey to stand up for what he believes in; a voice for youth. Oshnel is an advocate for youth education and is also a highly regarded volunteer and honor student. His work includes such notable mentions as being named as an advisor to the nations Childrens Advocacy which had him working on the improved revisions of the National Youth Policy. Oshnel has also worked alongside the Ministry of Youth and NGO and spearheaded a campaign to encourage Jamaicans to report all cases of Child Abuse. His work today has touched countless lives and continues to make a difference on the island.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** George  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** Students for the Earth  
**Country:** UAE

Preserving the earth is of utmost importance to George which is why he has been working tirelessly for years to encourage others to do their part in conservation. George was the founding member of Students for the Earth which now boasts over 1000 active members and has become part of Earth Charter International. On top of that, George led the way on an anti-smoking campaign which rendered amazing support and results. George's efforts have continued to not only help the environment but individuals in his community as well.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** The Changemaker  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** NIMIT Foundation  
**Country:** India

The Changemaker group consists of three young people who strive to live up to their namesake each and every day. By leading through example this group changed the way an entire community in India incorporates environmentally sustainable practices into everyday life. Because of their dedication they have reduced both consumption and overall waste in their region and have cleaned up unmeasurable amounts of waste alongside the road.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Hurairah Faatimah  
**Category:** Diana Active Campaigner  
**Organisation:** GEMS Our Own English High School- Dubai  
**Country:** United Arab Emirates

Through drama, song and dance Hurairah has embarked on a journey to "Enhance the Brightness of Life". To her, this means spending her days campaigning for better health and environmental awareness. To do so, she has actively taken part in numerous campaigns such as; Empower the Girl Child and Clean Up the World. Since the age of 7 Hurairah has been working to share her views on living a balanced life. Her impressive goals and passion to reach them have empowered those around her to do the same.

## DIANA ANTI-BULLYING CHAMPION

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Bailey  
**Category:** Diana Anti-Bullying Champion  
**Organisation:** Morgan's Mission Memorial Society  
**Country:** Canada

At the age of 13 Bailey lost her identical twin sister to suicide after she had been bullied both on and off-line. Tragically since then, Bailey has also experienced bullying first hand. But she is strong, she is choosing not to let them win and has taken her campaign against bullying to the Alberta Legislature to encourage changes on how bullying/cyber bullying is handled and how mental health is taught in schools. Bailey has bravely encouraged individuals find help if they are bullied and has fought for schools to enforce a zero tolerance policy.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Mount Sackville  
**Category:** Diana Anti-Bullying Champion  
**Organisation:** mount sackville  
**Country:** Ireland

Mount Sackville's Anti- Bullying Ambassadors have done amazing work to highlight and prevent bullying in the school. They are generous with their time both during the school day and in many after school activities. For example they made themselves available on a Saturday to address parents at an open day about the issue of Bullying. They have implemented a number of initiatives to ensure that every student feels safe and happy in our school community-thus reflecting Princess Diana's wish that young people can really make a difference.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Anti Bullying Ambassadors  
**Category:** Diana Anti-Bullying Champion  
**Organisation:** Robertstown National School  
**Country:** Ireland

Since training with the Diana Award these six children have been relentless in the fight against bullying. They have had many ideas and worked hard to bring them to fruition. They attend meetings regularly and without fail since October 2014. They have made posters, presentations, newsletters, communicated well with parents, teachers and peers throughout this whole process. They have developed their organisation skills and walk taller since becoming an ambassador. They have made the school a safer place.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Anti-Bullying Volunteers Team  
**Category:** Diana Anti-Bullying Champion  
**Organisation:** THE ASIMENIA FEATHAM SCHOOLS OF ENGLISH  
**Country:** Greece

The response was spectacular when The Asimemia Featham Schools of English asked for volunteers to initiate an Anti-Bullying Campaign. Since October 2014, the 30 volunteers from Rethymno, Crete, have tirelessly organised numerous outstanding and innovative activities and events to encourage the townspeople to take a stand against bullying and, whenever possible, to help people in a practical way. In December 2014 the Team collected over 2,5 tons of goods, accompanied by Anti-Bullying Christmas Cards, which were distributed to 610 underprivileged families. Within 12 months, the Anti-Bullying Volunteers Team managed to make a huge difference in a country suffering from the detrimental effects of a financial crisis.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Anti-Bully Ambassadors  
**Category:** Diana Anti-Bullying Champion  
**Organisation:** Celbridge Community School  
**Country:** Ireland

This is a special group of students who have only started in secondary school this year in a brand new school. They went to the Diana Award training and were inspired about the impact they could have in their new school. The group initially were quiet and have grown immensely over the last 10 months which has seen changes stemming from the responsibility that each has shown. The Group have exceeded expectations and the work they have done has not only made connections with primary schools allowing for a smooth transition from 6th class to first year but aided in developing the anti-bullying positive relationship culture which we aim to achieve in Celbridge Community School.

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**Award Holder/Group Name:** Zainab  
**Category:** Diana Anti-Bullying Champion  
**Organisation:** mount sackville  
**Country:** ireland

Zainab strives each day to end bullying in her school. She has worked closely with the school's administration to implement changes/additions to their efforts such as; organizing and running anti-bullying events, initiating a buddy system in the school between 1st and 5th year students and organizing a post box at the school's reception for students to post their concerns or worries to her. As well, Zainab ensures she is always available over the lunch hours should a student need help or someone to talk to. Thanks in large part to Zainab's efforts the school has not had a reported bullying incident in 18 months.

## DIANA CHAMPION FUNDRAISER

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Saketh  
**Category:** Diana Champion Fundraiser  
**Organisation:** Meridian School, Madhapur  
**Country:** India

Saketh is an exceptional student and is Head Pupil of his school's Students Council. As Head Pupil he is able to empower and encourage his fellow students to join him as he creates teams of students to address numerous social causes. Saketh's number one passion is helping the hearing impaired. He worked closely with his music teacher to organize a fundraiser which benefited the cause, raising funds for Cochlear Implant Surgery.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Res Novae  
**Category:** Diana Champion Fundraiser  
**Organisation:** The Millennium School, Dubai  
**Country:** United Arab Emirates

These students display outstanding philanthropic values which were manifested in their enthusiasm to help one-another. The greatest asset possessed by these students was their vision and their capability to turn this vision into reality.

The funds accumulated through their immense efforts were used to provide underprivileged children with access to quality education in developing countries & also to provide humanitarian aid to those in need. They are true role models and sincerely believe that there is nothing that they cannot achieve with hard work & dedication.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** SwissFrank

**Category:** Diana Champion Fundraiser

**Organisation:** La chat

**Country:** switzerland

This group of young people have made a huge difference through establishing a social enterprise, called SwissFrank as part of the MicroTyco challenge and have also raised money for WOHA and Free the Children at the La Chat campus. To date they have raised 4000CHR and aim to reach 6000CHR by the end of the academic year. All five pupils are exceptional role models and have given stimulating presentations to pupils in assemblies and to parents invited into school to hear about their project.

## DIANA CHAMPION VOLUNTEER

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Alivia

**Category:** Diana Champion Volunteer

**Organisation:** J. Mason Tomlin School

**Country:** United States of America

Alivia is a compassionate student with an eagerness to help others. She spends a great deal of her time helping fellow classmates as a tutor and mentor. She is easily able to identify individuals specific needs and respond to them appropriately. She also volunteers for Kennedy Health Systems as the greeter at the front desk and helps to prepare packets in the maternity unit, lab and emergency room department. Alivia is on the Mantua Township Recreation Committee where she assists with the town's 9-11 commemorative ceremony, hosts/prepares for monthly senior dinners, and prepares mailing list for the dignitaries to attend community functions. Her hard work has helped countless members of her community and her efforts have inspired many around her.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Bushra

**Category:** Diana Champion Volunteer

**Organisation:** International Medical University

**Country:** Malaysia

Bushra started volunteering at the age of 16 to help others, little did she know how she herself would also benefit from the experience. Volunteering helped to proactively fill a void that she was feeling in her life. Serendipitously, she was assigned to work with a 5 year old autistic girl who helped Bushra recognise her own potential. Since then, Bushra has dreamed of running her own NGO someday so that she may help to educate children with different disorders, and care for them according to their needs, as well as provide a platform for like-minded youths to volunteer. Over the years Bushra has tallied up over 500+ hours of volunteer work.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Danilo José  
**Category:** Diana Champion Volunteer  
**Organisation:** I.E.D. Juana Arias de Benavides  
**Country:** Colombia

Danilo He believes that every day is an opportunity to keep growing as a person, to make a positive impact in this world. He also believes in the power of diversity and that meeting and living with people from different backgrounds help understand each other, and to obtain a more global perspective to see the world and global issues. He loves languages, international affairs, writing, making people happy and one of his vocations: Volunteering!

He decided that he needs to stand with the global issues in this world and feels that he needs and has to do something about them; he thinks that with his actions and volunteering he can raise awareness, share and do his best to make a great change. For him volunteering is a way to live every day to the fullest.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Yuri  
**Category:** Diana Champion Volunteer  
**Organisation:** Melika Project  
**Country:** Angola

Despite his humble roots, Yuri has always had an eagerness for greatness. His drive in life has inspired him to help those around him to create an empowered community of peers, no matter their background. He has worked over 200+ volunteer hours to help build his own school, which over 200 students now can attend. Yuri is continuously going above and beyond offering help to other students when they are in need. Yuri's selflessness and determination have encouraged so many around him, creating an unstoppable, and much needed positive pride throughout his community.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Saima  
**Category:** Diana Champion Volunteer  
**Organisation:** Step Up  
**Country:** UAE

In the past four years Saima has volunteered with more than 57 charities, philanthropic organisations and non-profit bodies across the UAE. It is estimated that she has put in around 3,000 hours with groups such as Dubai Autism Centre, Feline Friends, Dubai Cares, the Safe and Sound breast cancer charity and refugee-helping PennyAppeal. Saima has taken a hands on approach by doing everything from planting trees to painting schools, picking up litter, to monitoring walkathons, providing drinks for labourers, to visiting sick children and fundraising. Her enthusiasm and dedication has already changed lives and she is showing no signs of slowing down any time soon.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Joseph  
**Category:** Diana Champion Volunteer  
**Organisation:** Abu Dhabi Indian School  
**Country:** United Arab Emirates

Joseph from the United Arab Emirates is passionate about making the world a better place to live in; volunteering for an incredibly diverse range of causes from environmental sustainability to those benefitting people less fortunate than himself. He has inspired others in his school community to volunteer and has given hundreds of hours of his own time to support voluntary organisations. Joseph's passion for the environment is evident in his statement "It's our earth, the only one we have. If we don't care about the environment, who will?"

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Katie  
**Category:** Diana Champion Volunteer  
**Organisation:** Kids Tales, Inc.  
**Country:** USA

Katie Eder is a bright, energetic, creative, and caring young woman who believes that every child, no matter his or her background, has the potential to change the world. Her mission has become about providing children between the ages of 8 and 12 the opportunity to develop that potential by "telling their stories" through creative writing. Most of the children with whom Katie works with through her non-profit organization, Kids Tales, have never before been encouraged to use their voices. Empowerment, she believes, is the first step toward building the self-confidence that will help them accomplish their goals. To date, over 120 students have participated in Kids Tales workshops throughout the US and Katie promises this is just the beginning.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Ecolint Peer Counsellors  
**Category:** Diana Champion Volunteer  
**Organisation:** La chat  
**Country:** switzerland

Lottie takes each new challenge in her stride and enriches the lives of all who have the privilege of coming into contact with her. She is registered blind and has a hearing impairment but despite this, she is one of the most charismatic children to be found in her school, and always a joy to be with and to respond to. Despite various set-backs, Lottie has bounced right back and has remained happy, smiling, and a constant pleasure to be around.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Since Every Child is Precious  
**Category:** Diana Champion Volunteer  
**Organisation:** ISS International School  
**Country:** Singapore

Masaki, from Japan, and Andy, from Indonesia, became friends while studying at ISS International School Singapore. In Andy's hometown of Jakarta, they experienced the realities of the city's street children through the NGO Sahabat Anak, which provides shelter and education for the city's more than 400,000 homeless youth. For Masaki, it was his first time witnessing true poverty and seeing how small actions make a difference, and when he and Andy returned to Singapore they made a commitment to support the organization in whatever ways they could. By volunteering at the Center, publishing a book about its work, and speaking on the issue of street youth to audiences in Singapore, Masaki and Andy model the very best of international collaboration and acting to make a difference.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Zach  
**Category:** Diana Champion Volunteer  
**Organisation:** Tools With Impact  
**Country:** Canada

Not only does Zach volunteer as a Special Olympics Swimming Coach, but he also spends time with numerous organizations and has personally founded a fully student run non-profit organization, Tools With Impact, which supports the local development of Mossuril, Mozambique through the donation of hand tools and essential building equipment. Tools With Impact received over \$65,000 worth of tools and \$21,000 in donations throughout its first two years in operation for this cause. This year, Zach graduated Tools With Impact's mission to supporting and equipping underprivileged students with school supplies and over \$20,000 has already been raised for this purpose

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Armaan  
**Category:** Diana Champion Volunteer  
**Organisation:** Humanity First Foundation  
**Country:** India

Since the age of 7 Armaan has dedicated his spare time to helping others. He has participated in countless awareness and/or fundraising campaigns and has made many personal sacrifices in order to help those less fortunate than himself. Just this year, Armaan asked his parents to cancel his birthday party and instead donate the money to local farmers hit by the drought. Moreover, he personally donated his savings to help a young girl from the slums of Mumbai through Project Shiksha. Over all, his efforts have accumulated to over 1000 hours of work and counting.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Surabhi  
**Category:** Diana Champion Volunteer  
**Organisation:** Chingari Rehabilitation Centre  
**Country:** India

Surabhi has spent countless hours volunteering with many organizations but most impressively she has donated countless volunteer hours with a group to help those affected by the Bhopal Gas Tragedy in Chingari. In an effort to raise funds for the victims she organised an art workshop and taught 100 children to make hand puppets using paper plates. In Singapore, she organised an awareness campaign and a fundraiser to collect \$3200 through sales of 200 handmade key rings and 140 T-shirts. She has recently made 2 more trips to Chingari to spend time with the children and distribute supplies. Recently, she collaborated with drama students and a playwright to organise a drama night entitled 'Project Chingari' to portray the problems of the underprivileged.

## DIANA COURAGEOUS CITIZEN

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Asante  
**Category:** Diana Courageous Citizen  
**Organisation:** African Leadership Academy  
**Country:** South Africa

Asante is a courageous young leader who always seeks to develop innovative ways to assist those around him. He has written a book, produced educational DVDs and worked on several projects to develop education in his country. Through his several leadership efforts, Asante was selected to attend the African Leadership Academy (ALA). ALA is a two-year program which selects 100 young leaders from across Africa each year and aims at developing the next generation of African leaders.

**Award Holder/Group Name:** Katie  
**Category:** Diana Courageous Citizen  
**Organisation:** John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum  
**Country:** United States

Despite many personal challenges, Katie works hard every day to make a difference both locally and globally through an organization she founded entitled Project Next Generation. Katie hosts tuition-free social science workshops for middle school students from the United States to India. Her project has reached over 36,000 people and her work has been recognized by National Geographic & President Obama. Additionally, Katie has traveled as a youth ambassador in countries including the United Arab Emirates, Denmark and the Czech Republic. Her goal is to empower today's youth to understand that anyone can make a difference.