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February 28, 2014

Dear Principal/Guidance Counselor:

Award season is around the corner and we would like to once again get the word out on our **Make A Difference Award**, which we have been presenting for more than a decade to 8<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students who demonstrate exemplary community service.

We have enclosed one copy of our award packet and request that you make our award known to your school's student body. This award is a competitive one. Qualified students are encouraged to apply for the award. We will be presenting a limited number of awards; therefore, not every school which sends us student applicants will have a winner. Students who do win will receive a certificate and cash award.

We are searching for students with extraordinary experience in community projects or volunteerism which makes a difference in the lives of others. Students must be on track to graduate in good academic standing. Students will be required to fill out the application and write a concise essay describing the community service project(s) in which they participated over the 2013-14 school year.

Student applications and essays must be sent to our office by the deadline of **March 31, 2014**. We will not be able to consider any late applications. You may make copies of our award application as needed. Our application can also be downloaded from our website, at <http://www.blslawyers.com/lawyer-attorney-1305650.html>.

Our committee will review the applications and designate the winners. We will present the Make A Difference Award in person at each winning student's school year-end award ceremony. Again, not every school will have a winner as we are presenting a limited number of awards.

We have enjoyed presenting our award for more than 15 years and meeting so many wonderful students along the way. We look forward to receiving student applications from your school.

Should you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Scheiner at 239-939-2900.

Very truly yours,

ASSOCIATES & BRUCE L. SCHEINER  
ATTORNEYS FOR THE INJUREDBy           s/ Cheryl Scheiner            
Cheryl Scheiner, Administrator

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AN AWARD TO ACKNOWLEDGE EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNITY SERVICE BY STUDENTS

Students must complete the application including phone number with area code, address, email, grade school information, and previous honors.

**Requirements:**

- Students must have extraordinary experience in volunteerism or community projects that make a difference in the lives of others.
- Students must be on track to graduate in good academic standing.
- Students will be required to fill out the application and write a concise essay describing the community service project(s) in which they participated over the 2013-14 school year.
- Academic transcript must be attached to application

**Deadline: March 31, 2014**

Incomplete applications will be *disqualified*. Complete applications must be delivered to Associates & Bruce L. Scheiner by March 31, 2014. Late applications will not be considered.

**Essay Instructions:**

Students must type a thoughtful, well-written essay that describes their experiences working to help others in their communities. The focus should be on self-directed volunteerism that exceeds the service requirements mandated or sponsored by the school. The essay should meet the following formatting criteria:

300-word minimum

Typed on 8.5 x 11 white paper

1.25-inch margins on all sides

Student's full name, grade, and school name must be clearly visible on front page

**Guidance Counselor Instructions:**

Guidance Counselors are requested to send all applications in just one envelope to:

Associates and Bruce L. Scheiner

Make a Difference Award

4020 Evans Ave.

Fort Myers, FL 33901

Please include the date and time of the school's year-end award ceremony in the return envelope.

This award is a competitive one. We will review applications and designate winners. We will be presenting a limited number of awards. Not every school which sends us student applications will have a winner. Individual awards will be presented at year-end award ceremonies of winning students' schools.

Should you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Scheiner at 239-939-2900.



## 2014 Make a Difference Award Application

Deadline to Apply: March 31, 2014

### Student Contact Information

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt.# \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender:  Male  Female Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

### Academic Information

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_ Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ (attach transcript)

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list academic honors below: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please list non-academic community achievements and volunteer work below. Use a separate piece of paper if necessary.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**If graduating, please complete this section below. If not, leave blank.**

College/University you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For School Counselor:

**MAIL ALL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS WITH ESSAYS  
IN ONE ENVELOPE FROM YOUR SCHOOL**

TO: BRUCE L. SCHEINER  
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