NAME	PROJECT OR BUSINESS OR COMMUNITY INITIATIVE	AGE
	Youth Transforming Society (YTS)	
Amanbir Atwal A atwal@live.ca	Why can't the youth make an impact in the community? Try stopping Amanbir Atwal as she co-founded "Youth Transforming Society" (YTS). YTS is a student-run group that aims to raise awareness for global issues and encourage community volunteerism. Amanbir has helped fundraise \$6,250 for four projects spanning from 2011-2013 for areas of the world in a crisis such as Haiti and West Africa. YTS has grown over the past 5 years, as the organization consists of 15 members and 100 volunteers; and they have prepared breakfast for over 600 homeless individuals in 2014 alone. In addition to helping YTS expand its initiative, she has also served more than 2,000 hours of volunteer service within the community. Amanbir also stayed focused in the classroom, setting an example for others by maintaining a 4.0 GPA at Seaquam Secondary, and is now at UBC working towards her Bachelor of Science in Microbiology and Physiology.	19
	Think Forward, Think Recycling	
Angus Lin Angus.a.lin@gmail.com	People often express the importance of recycling paper and plastic in order to conserve the environment, yet recycling items such as ink cartridges, pens and light bulbs are often dismissed despite also contributing to unsustainable development. Angus Lin co-founded a community campaign called 'Think Forward, Think Recycling'. It is dedicated to encouraging and spreading awareness about the importance of recycling all types of materials. The campaign utilizes a Facebook page, serving as a platform for the community to cohesively share and access resources for their recycling projects. He maintains a 99% cumulative average in Grade 12 and is also enrolled in the rigorous Science Academy program at Fraser Heights Secondary School. And he is a concurrent studies student at Simon Fraser University. His leadership in the LEO Club, Environment Club and Global Green Alliance as well as hospital and other fundraisers show Angus' tenacious drive to relentlessly challenge the status-quo to make things better for his community and for others.	17
Angus.a.im@gman.com	Frontiers Poetics: KPU's Rap Outreach Project	17
	Learning to be brave and speaking up can sometimes be more difficult for others, but Calvin Tiu understood that there were ways to help those individuals. Through the art of rap he was able to provide relief and a way out of being quiet. A voice was born with this epiphany and there was no looking back. After receiving sponsorships and support from Coca Cola and the Faculty of Arts from KPU, he and partner Rick "Big Love" Kumar toured 16 high schools across the Lower Mainland to share their message about the power of language, the written word, anti-bullying, peer mentorship, lifelong friendship, and community building through creativity. He also decided to fund a bursary along with his partner Calvin, with the proceeds from a CD they made being put to use for a struggling Arts student. Calvin delivered the valedictorian speech at his convocation and has graduated with an Arts degree from KPU. In addition to this, Calvin	
Calvin Tiu Calvin.tiu@kwantlen.net	serves as the Treasurer for both the Kwantlen English Commons and the Kwantlen Film Club. Despite the challenge	22

	of having to overcome the physical disability of cerebral	
	palsy, he is close to finishing his Bachelor of Arts degree	
	from KPU.	
	Simon Fraser Student Society / #WESAYYES FOR	
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	The Simon Fraser Student Society is an independent	
	organization that represents over 26,000 undergraduate	
	students at SFU. However, only a select few are able to	
	stand out from the crowd and represent the organization with	
	leadership and a clear sense of direction. Deepak Sharma is	
	certainly one of these few individuals who has stepped up to	
	the plate and taken on a great deal of responsibility. He was	
	elected as a Board of Director and was also appointed to be	
	the SFU Surrey Campus Liaison. In this role he worked	
	extremely hard to create and maintain relationships with the	
	City of Surrey, Surrey Board of Trade, SFU Surrey	
	Administration, SFU Surrey Students, and Central City	
	Safeway. While doing this, he advocated for the YES side in	
	regards to the current Transit Plebiscite. One has to be vocal	
	when representing an entire organization, and the board	
	never doubted Deepak's ability to take charge and pave the	
	way for a remarkable campaign. He is very active within the	
	community and can be seen attending stakeholder meetings	
	with the City of Surrey, arranging Transit rallies and student	
	fairs, as well as hosting meetings with student	
	representatives from all parts of the Lower Mainland. Deepak	
	has now been elected for a second term and will serve as	
	Vice President. In this role he will continue to make a huge	
	impact as one of his projects will be organizing the first ever	
vpstudentlife@sfss.ca	TEDXSURREY conference.	20
	Ball Don't Stop Basketball	
	In a day and age where we are able to discover news around	
	the world at our fingertips, the internet has become a	
	powerful tool for many. It is always interesting to see what	
	people can do with their creativity, and Ekam Nagra has done	
	just that with his website known as "BallDontStop.com"; a	
	website that specializes in reporting the latest news and	
	events around the NBA (National Basketball Association).	
	This passion for basketball came from an early age as he	
	played the game himself at a high level on the high school	
	stage. Aside from being the founder of this news outlet that	
	has gained a following of over 17,000 followers on Facebook,	
	he has also coached a basketball academy of over 150	
	students in the past year alone. It is of extreme importance	
	for Ekum to give back to the community, and his passion and	
	enthusiasm for the game touches the hearts of many young,	
	aspiring players who hope to one day be like him. He has	
	opened many doors for others to join his academy, as those	
	who are willing to volunteer and share their knowledge of	
	basketball are always welcome. His story is truly an	
	inspiration all young South Asian boys in this community and	
Ekam Nagra	he has built a base for many more to follow along in his	24
info@balldontstop.com	footsteps. Peneath One Sky Community Support Society	21
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	ethic is built that can only make one stronger. Felicia Rafael has given her time and efforts to many causes resulting in	
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Felicia Rafael Felice.rafael@hotmail.co	great results. She started with "Beneath One Sky" and was an excellent leader for the organization having facilitated	23

should always speak up and present his or her vision to the proper authorities. Jeremy was rewarded for his plan and general concern for the wellbeing of all citizens within the community who were utilizing transit. A part from being an activist for transit safety, he was a four year student-athlete at SFU. During this time he received several awards and accomplished many great feats including the Terry Fox Award for overcoming adversity and giving back to the community, the Big Brother of the Year Nominee in recognition of his volunteer work with the organization, as well as the Victor V. Spencer Award in Football. The consistency in his volunteer work is clearly displayed, as he also founded a community outreach program called "SFU Team Up" that has now fundraised a remarkable amount of \$20,000 for local charities. **Musician Impact Network Society** Music is an element in life many of us enjoy, as we use it for occasions of all sorts whether they are in times of happiness or sorrow. There are musicians who audiences would pay hundreds of dollars to see for the performance of a lifetime; and there are also many individuals and families who unfortunately cannot afford to attend the concerts of their dreams. Then there are people like Jessica Kim, gifted musicians who want to share their talent with the world for no cost at all. The only price of admission is happiness and relieving those who are in more vulnerable places of their life. Jessica founded Musician Impact Network Society (MINS), and its mission is to enhance the lives of vulnerable populations by providing music performance services to residential care facilities in the Fraser Health Authority. MINS is currently being offered in Surrey and Langley, and will soon be expanding to other parts of the province due to its instrumental success and impact on those who come across it. It is inspiring to see someone of Jessica's nature to be dedicating so much of her and sharing her talents along with others to those in need. Currently, Jessica is the Social Media Director on the Executive Council at the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) – Simon Fraser University Chapter. She is continuing to work hard on expanding MINS Jessica Kim and growing the program as much as possible to ensure that Jka130@sfu.ca everyone can feel the joy of music. 20 Red FM It takes a great deal of responsibility to be a voice in the community that people will listen to and depend on- that is exactly who Kanwalnain is. She's a passionate individual who has been provided with the opportunity to share her enthusiasm for discussing topics with others through a prominent radio station known as "Red" 93.1 FM on a show called "Sade Bache Sada Virsa." She feels the community has been a significant factor in her development as a person and she would like to give back to ensure others are being heard. Kanwalnain discusses important topics such as academic success, bullying, environmental responsibility, community involvement, multiculturalism, and career planning. A key component of her program is acknowledging youth that have made contributions within the community and young guests are invited to the show to discuss what they have done so others can learn and perhaps follow along one day. She has spent over 1,000 hours dedicating her time to this show and her passion for it only continues to grow. Kanwalnain K. Grewal Kanwalnain was also chosen to be a part of an international documentary project known as, "Shoot for the Moon." It Kkg21@sfu.ca features her efforts to maintain multiculturalism in the 20

	community along with connecting with the youth. She is also	
	currently studying at the Beedie School of Business (SFU)	
	and is on the Dean's Honour Roll.	
	Kwantlen Polytechnic University	
Keri Van Gerven	Keri Van Gerven has exemplified that she is a model employee and excellent student when in the classroom. She acts as Chief of Staff for the President's Office at KPU and plays a pivotal role in ensuring the effectiveness and productivity of the executive team. Keri represented the university at many events within the community and was clearly more than just an ambassador the post secondary institution- she was also a voice for the community. Some of Keri's responsibilities included making arrangements for the Chancellor and honorary degree recipients, as well as ensuring that the entire academic procession is organized and seated. In her spare time she gives her time as Boderfest Queen for Viking Lodge 81, she promotes traditional Norwegian culture and heritage, honouring her own family's roots. She graduated from KPU in 2013 with a Bachelor's degree in Social Science. She is now exploring	
Keri.vangerven@kpu.ca	opportunities to undertake part time graduate studies.	24
rten.vangervenwkpu.ca	KidsPlay	24
Kiran Toor Kiran.toor20@hotmail.co m	Those who understand that with a higher level of maturity comes a higher level of responsibility excel in life. Kiran Toor is the Founder and Executive Director of KidsPlay, which is an organization led towards providing opportunities for youth in the community. After acknowledging the high level of gangs, violence, and drugs that exists in Surrey, she decided to take action and created the program for youth to take part in sports activities and community projects- essentially components of one's life that would keep them busy and prevent them from straying away to a darker path. Her initiative is being recognized as members of the Surrey RCMP and leaders from the local community are also offering their support. Today, the organization boasts over 100 volunteers, along with over 1,000 participants attending the latest event. Through her efforts, she has helped raise over \$100,000 for various causes and has dedicated much of her life towards volunteering. After graduating from Semiahmoo Secondary, Kiran is now attending KPU working towards her Bachelor's of Arts, however, she will be transferring to SFU this upcoming fall to complete her degree. SOAR Philanthropic Society	20
	Having achieved success and recognition from a young age, Lourence Singh is a true ambassador for the youth in our community. He received the Governor General's Academic Medal for graduating at the top of his high school class. He is also a recipient of the Simon Fraser University Academic Excellence scholarship. He took school seriously, and worked hard to ensure that his coursework would prepare him one day when he started a job and ultimately his career. Skipping the forward button to the present day, he is a graduate of the Sauder School of Business and has been working in the financial department of SOAR Philanthropic Society as "Executive Sponsorship Specialist." He advocates on behalf of the organization to form partnerships and receive sponsorships to provide students with the opportunity to	
	receive scholarships and other forms of financial aid in order	
Lourance Singh	for them to attend a post secondary institution. Lourence truly	
Lourence Singh@soarps. org	understands the value of education and has always been passionate and dedicated towards this initiative. Aside from	20

	advocacy organization. Rajan was involved and responsible for bringing students' ideas to justice such as lowering fees	
	and improving public transit. He also simultaneously chaired three golfing tournaments that raised over \$120,000 for local	
	charities. Rajan has now completed his undergraduate	
	degree at the University of Victoria in Political Science. In the future he plans on returning to school to complete an MBA,	
	but would like to gain relevant work experience prior to doing	
	SO.	
	Enactus SFU - Hunger Actions	
	The Hunger Actions program at Enactus SFU Surrey relieves parents from the stress of balancing their family health with their financial well-being. For many low-income parents in the	
	Lower Mainland, cooking nutritious food for their young children proves to be a daunting task. With 17 volunteers	
	carrying various roles on the team including workshop coordinators, curriculum managers and administrative	
	managers, the Hunger Actions program conducts a 4-week long workshop series focused on financial literacy, nutrition	
	and cooking skills. They host the workshops in Surrey	
	(Bridgeview Community Center and work with the BC Ministry of Social Development based in Surrey. Rhythm has	
	demonstrated leadership skills in the creative and research	
	aspect of the product development for her team. Rhythm is a 2 nd year business student studying at SFU. She received and	
	is currently maintaining the Gordon M. Shrum Major Entrance	
	Scholarship to SFU, valued at \$24,000. Selection was based on 97% entering GPA and participation in various school	
	activities. Rhythm received the SFU Venture Co-op 2014 Fall	
	Placement to develop her first dessert catering business, SugarCraft Catering. Rhythm achieved the rank of Warrant	
	Officer First Class at a local Air Cadet Squadron, was named the Top Non-Commissioned Officer in BC in 2013 and was	
	later named as one of the top 6 cadets in Canada in 2014.	
	And she was the Recipient of the Lord Strathcona Medal for teaching financial literacy skills to teen mothers at Guildford	
	Park Secondary. And she was the Recipient of the Gold	
Rhythm Tang Rhythm.tang@gmail.com	Level Duke of Edinburgh Award, presented by the Honorable Prince Edward, earl of Wessex at the Government House.	19
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	Sometimes all you need is a little bit of rap in your life. That's	
	the message that Rick "Big Love" Kumar is trying to spread to	
	those with an open ear and an honest heart. With sponsorships from Coca-Cola and the Faculty of Arts from	
	Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU), him and a friend	
	(Calvin "Kalvonix" Tiu) embarked on a four-month outreach program to assist adolescents by finding a voice in writing	
	and promoting KPU Arts. Rick took this interactive workshop	
	to 16 high schools throughout Surrey, Langley, and Richmond to share their message about the power of	
	language, the written word, anti-bullying, peer mentorship, lifelong friendship, and community building through creativity.	
	Rick has always been very active, serving as the President of	
	two university associations: the Kwantlen English Commons and the Kwantlen Film club. He also expands his time into	
	the broader community by advocating to raise awareness of	
	suicide and suicide prevention on behalf of MLA Sue Hammell. If this isn't enough, Rick decided to fund a bursary	
	along with his partner Calvin, with the proceeds from a CD	
Rick Kumar Hanrick.kumar@kwantlen	they made being put to use for a struggling Arts student. He also delivered the valedictorian speech at his convocation	
<u>.net</u>	and has graduated with an Arts degree from KPU.	22

	SFU / Canadian Cancer Society / Sport Chek / Microsoft	
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	If there is a jack-of-all-trades, Ridge Pinto must be	
	considered one of them as it takes a remarkable type of	
	individual to be as highly skilled as he is in so many areas.	
	As a highly engaged student, athlete, professional, and	
	community activist he has represented Surrey in high	
	standing. Being an accomplished individual on an early	
	stage, he won a bronze medal for Team Surrey in the	
	Western Challenge Ball Hockey Championships while only	
	being 17; and he also happens to be the youngest individual	
	to ever be hired by FINTRAC (Financial Transactions and	
	Reports Analysis Centre of Canada) at the age of 18. Shortly	
	after this he would notch another impressive internship with	
	the prestigious Canadian Security Intelligence Service in	
	Ottawa. Closer to home, he studies at SFU and is also employed there as a Teaching Assistant. Ridge's efforts have	
	not gone unnoticed as he was awarded a national "Royal	
	Bank of Canada Students Leading Change" Scholarship. He	
	was only 1 of 10 recipients nationwide and it speaks volumes	
	as to how hard he has worked to be a vital member of our	
	community. In addition to also working at Sport Chek, Ridge	
	will be taking his talents to a highly coveted position at	
	Microsoft during the summer. What is truly amazing is even	
	after working, he decides to still be actively involved in the	
	community giving up more time he could utilizing for personal	
	use and organized a "Be A Hero" campaign. It was a video	
	incorporating police officers, professional athletes, professors	
	and other influential figures within the community. It was a	
Ridge Pinto	huge success, raising over \$6,500 for the Canadian Cancer	20
ridgep@sfu.ca	Society with a focus in pediatric cancer research. SFU's Interdisciplinary Entrepreneurship Association	22
	(IdEA)	
	(IGLA)	
	Students attend university to learn and expand their	
	knowledge, but it is those who dare to also act on what they	
	have learned that truly make a difference. Rizwan Qaiser is a	
	fourth year Management Informations Systems and	
	Entrepreneurship & Innovation Student at SFU Surrey.	
	During his time there, he has recognized the need for	
	students to work across disciplines and is a founding member	
	of SFU's Interdisciplinary Entrepreneurship Association	
	(IdEA). He has also assisted in the design and facilitation of	
	innovation courses from the role of a Teaching Assistant and	
	a Curriculum Development Assistant. Rizwan has made quite	
	the impact as a teaching assistant, assisting in the	
	development and facilitation of curriculum and activities for SFU's first entrepreneurship and innovation class offered to	
	all students representing any faculty of the university. He also	
	participated in Beedie's first Semester In Innovation with	
	exchange students from Grenoble Ecole de Management	
	and continually finds a way to manage all of his extra	
	curricular activities along with his responsibilities outside of	
	being a student. Many students have gone on to become	
	teaching assistants, but very few have been as innovative	
	and responsible in helping assist their school to a trendy, new	
	direction. Rizwan will be graduating with a BBA from SFU in	
	October 2015 with concentrations in Management	
Rizwan Qaiser	Information Systems and Entrepreneurship and Innovation,	
<u>rizwang@sfu.ca</u>	along with a certificate in Business Technology Management.	24
	Canada's Next Indycar Superstar	7
Cast Hanses	There is nothing wrong with being in the passenger's seat,	
Scott Hargrove scott@scotthargrove.com	There is nothing wrong with being in the passenger's seat, but when it comes time to take the wheel an individual better be prepared. Look no further than Scott Hargrove, who	20

started driving karts from the age of 13 and never looked back. He won a championship during his first year of competition and has won the 2013 Indycar USF2000 championship, as well as winning the 2014 IMSA Porsche GT3 Cup Canada Championship. Scott was also one of two drivers selected by Team Canada Scholarship to represent the nation at the prestigious 2013 British Formula Ford Festival in Brands Hatch racetrack in England where he finished in 4th place out of 57 positions. While pursuing his dream of racing, Scott also sets time aside to visit Children's Hospitals in the cities he travels to, helping out where he can one smile at a time. He has also worked the phones at the CKNW Orphans Fund and at the Variety Club Show of Hearts Telethon for the past 2 years. In 2013, Scott graduated from Surrey Christian High School with high marks despite missing much of the school year and he plans on returning to school sometime in the future to pursue a degree in either science or engineering. **AFK Game Development Symposium** If one is passionate about something in life, why should they not share their enthusiasm for it with others? Sean Warwick never shied away from his love affair with gaming, and he was able to create a unique in partnership with SFU called, "The AFK" (Away From Keyboard) game development symposium. He is the Founder and Main Coordinator of the event and was also able to gain some serious support and sponsorships from some of the local games companies. Sean provided an opportunity for students who had made game developments to showcase their efforts to a panel consisting of game designers and developers. Sometimes there are resources and people who have high standing in the industry in question that one could be interested in; and opportunities to meet with them and receive opinions does not come by every day. Sean recognized this having understood how many unknown talented individuals existed within the community and created an amazing event for them to be recognized. Sean is an undergraduate student in the School of Interactive Arts and Technology. He has designed several games through his time at SFU including simple children's exploration games, 3D immersive environments, and morality-based games with numerous narrative endings. Having completed his course work, Sean will be receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree in Interactive Arts & Technology from SFU. Sean continues to advocate for the recognition of other seanmwarwick@gmail.co students' work and his actions are admirable and completely selfless. 23 Beneath One Sky Community Support Society / The Walk and Learn Program Sometimes it is necessary for us to have a role model in our life- someone who sets a good example and always encourages others to make positive contributions to society. Shantelle Medel has done a tremendous job of being a citizen who has been able to show others that doing good deeds leads to even better results. She created a program known as, "Beneath One Sky" (BOS) in her final year of high school. It is a local, nonprofit organization that dedicated to bringing awareness and funding for poverty internationally. She is currently the Vice President of BOS while also working on other projects on behalf of the organization. In addition to creating BOS, Shantelle's past endeavours include the creation of The Backpack Run in which volunteers a part of **Shantelle Medel** BOS donate and bring food, clothing and other items to the 23 smedel@sfu.ca downtown east side as well as being the founder of the Walk

Sean Warwick

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and Learn Program. In this initiative, the goal is to bridge the	
gap for isolated seniors and ESL students. Another major accomplishment was receiving \$13,000 in government grant funding for the Walk and Learn Program from the New Horizons for Seniors' program. Shantelle is now scheduled to graduate in June 2016 from SFU with a Bachelor's of Science in Honours Health Science with a minor in Gerontology.	
Tyler's Firewood Company	
It is easy to judge a book by its cover, but one is truly defined by their character and integrity. If we open up any chapter of Tyler Reid's life it would involve being selfless, respectful, and caring for those around him. Despite many of his peers failing to pay attention to him, he made sure to always recognize those who were around him. After taking on a project by the request of his Great Uncle to collect wood to fuel fires, he had decided to turn his passion of collecting this resource into a viable business. He defied all odds, and has made Tyler's Firewood Company into a respectable establishment. Being successful is one important element in life, but being philanthropic displays how generous and grateful one is for their success. He became an entrepreneur at the age of 14, and one can only commend his maturity and success within the community. Currently at 18 years of age, and entering his fifth year in business, Tyler has been able to partner up with Hazelmere RV Park and Campground, Victory Memorial Funeral Centre, Jacob Brothers Construction, RONA, as well as Echo Power Equipment. He has also donated several hundred dollars to the Semiahmoo House Society and can be seen volunteering there offering to sweep the floors or even help the staff set up equipment and	
furniture.	18

Media are invited to attend.