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ESSAY TOPIC

Imagine you have unlimited funding to create a new charity dedicated to improving life in our region. In an essay of 500-750 words, describe the charity you would create.

Explain:

- **The need:** What specific challenge or opportunity in our region would your charity address, and why is it important to the community and you?
- **The mission:** What is your charity's purpose and long-term vision?
- **Programs and impact:** What services, programs, or initiatives would the charity provide, and how would they make a measurable difference?
- **Community involvement:** How would your charity partner with local organizations, schools, or volunteers to strengthen the region?

Be creative but realistic. Use clear examples, thoughtful reasoning and a strong connection to the region.

COMPETITION GUIDELINES

- The essay must be 500-750 words, typed and double-spaced, and include proper source citations to avoid plagiarism. All ideas, organization and final wording must be your original work and not generated by AI.
- Do not include your name or school within the body of the essay. Title page not required.
- Place the essay title in the upper right corner of every page.
- Each school may submit up to three essays. From all submissions, eight finalists will be selected for the opportunity to compete for an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C.
- The finalist competition will be held at the co-op March 18. Four students will be selected as Youth Tour delegates, and the remaining four finalists will each receive a \$200 gift card.

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