

## YOUTH IN PHILANTHROPY:

### QUOTES ABOUT PHILANTHROPY, GIVING AND GENEROSITY

*Need a quote to spice up your YAC presentation or brochure? Check out these philanthropy quotes - there is even a philanthropy cheer!*

"The greatest use of a life is to spend it on something that will outlast it"  
*William James*

"Tell me, and I shall forget. Show me, and I shall maybe remember. Make me part of action, and I shall understand and keep it in mind."  
*An Indian saying*

"Contentment comes when you know you've done something good for someone else, and you're not expecting anything in return."  
*Bill Grosz*

"He who cannot give anything away cannot feel anything either."  
*Friedrich Wilhelm Nietzsche*

"Giving is more a dictate of the heart than a command of the brain."  
*Henry A. Rosso*

"Giving pays the highest interest rate, and has the longest term, of any investment available."  
*Jeffrey K. Wilson*

"I have found that among its other benefits, giving liberates the soul of the giver."  
*Maya Angelou*

"No one has ever become poor by giving."  
*Anne Frank*

"Generosity is a principle -- not an amount."  
*Millie Thornton*

"Our charity begins at home, And mostly ends where it begins."  
*Horace Smith, Horace in London*

"We are rich only through what we give, and poor only through what we refuse."  
*Anne Swetchine*

"A bit of fragrance always clings to the hand that gives roses."  
*Chinese proverb*

"The decent thing to do is get rid of some of this money."  
*James Michener, author, commenting on his giving of \$117 million during his lifetime*

"We find love only when we give love to others."  
*Douglas M. Lawson*

"To give away money is an easy matter and in any man's power. But to decide to whom to give it, and how large, and when, and for what purpose and how, is neither in every man's power nor an easy matter."  
*Aristotle*

"Whatever you spend is gone. What you keep, someone else gets. What you give is yours forever."  
*Dr. Wil Rose*

"Philanthropy is commendable, but it must not cause the philanthropist to overlook the circumstances of economic injustice which make philanthropy necessary."  
*Martin Luther King, Jr., Strength to Love*

"Anticipate charity by preventing poverty."  
*Maimonides, Guide to the Perplexed*

"A person's true wealth is the good he or she does in the world."  
*Mohammed*

"In a world filled with violence, hatred, and suspicion, giving is an expression of faith, trust, and concern."  
*Douglas Lawson*

"Money is like manure; it's not worth a thing unless it's spread around encouraging young things to grow."  
*Thornton Wilder, The Matchmaker*

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."  
*Winston S. Churchill*

**And last but not least... The Philanthropy Cheer:**

"Philanthropy!! Fun to say - cool to do!"

*Instructions: After you (or whoever is leading the session) yell "Philanthropy", have half the people in the room say "fun to say" and the other half say "cool to do". After repeating a few times, the second group start saying "coo to do" - intentionally, 'cause it's a "cool" way to say it...*