

The below requests enabled Frangell to receive the funds required for his summer opportunity.

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Frangell. I'm seventeen years old, and a junior at Cardinal Hayes High School. I serve as a Treasurer in the National Honor Society, a Vice-President in the Future Alumni Association, and I am currently running for President in the Student Government. My motivation and desire for success originates from witnessing my mother's struggles as a single immigrant parent. I dedicated myself to education when I learned that school would be the only way out of poverty, ignoring the criticism of the people around me, who would prefer to do away with opportunities rather than take advantage of them. Regardless of my raw dedication, I would be nowhere without the support of caring and generous beings, like my sponsor who pays the entirety of \$6K on my education through the Student Sponsorship Program, or the faculty at the Liberty LEADS Program, who work tirelessly to ensure my success in college. For this reason, besides wanting to become an Electrical Engineer and possibly take Law, my main goal is to center my future on the progression of low income students who are heavily motivated, but whose financial disadvantages limit their opportunities.

I was recently accepted into the highly selective international program, Experimental in International Living, which selects students across the country to travel anywhere in the world for weeks, as the continuing attempt to establish respect among other cultures and environment. For four weeks, I will travel through Spain, in its community service program, which will help me "learn about the conditions necessary for a tolerant multicultural society." I was met with some disappointment when I learned that the fee of the program is \$6,400, nearly 40% of my household income. Although defeated for awhile, I promised myself that I would not allow insignificant financial difficulties get in the way of what might be one of the best experiences of my life. And so I went on a mission: to raise 100% of the cost as a surprise for my mother, who's currently going through severe financial issues. Thanks to the assistance of the Liberty LEADS Program, EIL's financial aid, and my high school, I have been able to raise over 90% of the fee, leaving me with its last vestiges of \$500 and spending money. I want to take this all the way and make sure my mother has to pay nothing for this wonderful trip of mine, which leads me to seek for your help. Any amount of financial support is never too little and will always be appreciated, as it would be one step closer for me to escape these dirty streets of the Bronx, and witness the beauty of the world in my first visit to Europe. I thank you greatly for at least reading through this long passage, and wish you the best in your future affairs.

Sincerely,
Frangell B.