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Project 351 citizens announce local service project

Huntington – Eighth grade students Joseph Federici, Chloe Govoni, Garrett Lebranche, Ariana Marchase, and Katrina Nakaya attended Project 351 in Boston earlier this year, along with high school students Sierra Russell and Victoria Kot, former P351 delegates who returned to volunteer as alums.

During the daylong event, students from schools throughout Massachusetts split into groups to do various community service projects. Some went to the Martin Luther King School and painted murals to brighten students’ days, while others helped at the food bank or prepared blankets and trail mix for a homeless shelter. Students said the experience was valuable because they saw how much they could help others while meeting new people.

Project 351 is dedicated to celebrating youth leadership, inspiring the ethic of service, and honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Students are selected by faculty and staff on the basis of an exemplary ethic of service, potential for leadership, and embodiment of the values of compassion, commitment, humility and kindness. Selecting unsung heroes is also encouraged by the program.

These students are doing a local fundraiser from March 26 to April 6 for the Hilltown Social Service Center, as part of an annual statewide service initiative for Project 351. They are collecting new, unopened packages of diapers and wipes. Sizes that are most needed are 3, 4, and 5. Diapers and wipes may be dropped off in the main entrance of Gateway Regional’s main complex.

Please help us support this worthy cause!

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Photo (left to right): Joe Federici, Victoria Kot, Garrett Lebranche, Chloe Govoni, Ariana Marchase, Katrina Nakaya and Sierra Russell – Gateway delegates and alums to Project 351.