

**Benefits of Teen Activism and Community Service****(Applies to All Issues) Sessions 1–4:**

- “Why Is Community Service Important?” By Caridad Sanchez, VP of Academic Affairs, Florida National University. **Fnu.edu**  
<http://www.fnu.edu/community-service-important/>  
*A text on Florida’s National University’s web page that lays out the physical and emotional benefits of helping others for teens.*
- “How to Become an Activist.” **WikiHow.com**  
<https://www.wikihow.com/Become-an-Activist>  
*A text that lays out the process of activism. (Longer text, but can be broken easily into parts.)*

**Global Teen Activists and Their Plights*****Environmental Issues***

- **Alex Lin, Environment, Teen Activist, text**  
“Alex Lin, Teenage Activist.” By Salvatore Cordoni. **Takepart.com**  
<http://dev.takepart.com/article/2010/04/05/alex-lin-teenage-activist/index.html>  
*This article spotlights a teen who is finding ways to reuse and recycle e-waste (computers and other electronics) as well as lobbying the legislature to pass bills requiring this type of recycling.*
- **The Clock is Ticking: Youth and Environmental Activism, Environment, text**  
“The Clock is Ticking: Youth and Environmental Activism.” By Joi Officer, Laura Cockman, and Rebekah Taft. **What Kids Can Do.Org.**  
[http://www.whatkidscando.org/featurestories/2009/06\\_clock\\_is\\_ticking/index.html](http://www.whatkidscando.org/featurestories/2009/06_clock_is_ticking/index.html)  
*This text from takepart.com, explores actions and initiatives being taken by young people to address the growing environmental issues.*

***Equality In Girls’ Education***

- **Malala Yousafazi, Girls Education, Teen Activist, text**  
“A Heroic Return.” By TIME for Kids. **Time for Kids.com.** March 20, 2013.  
[http://misslewis6thgradeela.weebly.com/uploads/8/7/1/1/87117454/malala\\_yousafzai\\_time\\_for\\_kids\\_article.pdf](http://misslewis6thgradeela.weebly.com/uploads/8/7/1/1/87117454/malala_yousafzai_time_for_kids_article.pdf)  
*This article from Time Magazine for Kids, is about Malala’s heroic journey of healing after being shot by the Taliban for advocating for gender equality in education.*

- **Supporting Education and Activism on Malala Day, Girls Education, text**

“Supporting Education and Activism on Malala Day.” By Sarah Jackson and Jessie Kirk. **Womankind.org**.

<https://www.womankind.org.uk/blog/detail/our-blog/2013/07/09/supporting-education-and-activism-on-malala-day>

*A web page that describes women and girls from across the world inspired by Malala Yousafazi to carry on the fight for equal educational rights.*

### **Child Labor**

- **Iqbal Masih and Craig Kielburger, Child Labor, Teen Activist, text and video**

“Our Story.” **Free the Children.com**.

<http://www.freethechildren.com/about-us/our-story/>

*This article is about kid activists inspiring each other to take action around child labor exploitation.*

- **Child Labor Around the World, Child labor, text**

“Child Labor Around the World: How to Help.” By Karen Fanning. **Teacher. Scholastic.com**.

[http://www.teacher.scholastic.com/scholasticnews/indepth/child\\_labor/child\\_labor/index.asp?article=help](http://www.teacher.scholastic.com/scholasticnews/indepth/child_labor/child_labor/index.asp?article=help)

*This text is about a middle school class in Massachusetts that heard firsthand about Iqbal’s plight for child labor laws and took action.*

### **Animal Abandonment**

- **Faye Carey, Animal Activist**

“Teenage Girl Is Dogs’ Best Friend.” By Briar Marbeck. **3 News.co.nz**.

<http://www.newshub.co.nz/nznews/teenage-girl-is-dogs-best-friend-2013080912>

*This article is about a young girl that gives abandoned animals a second chance at life at her local animal shelter.*

- **Animal Abandonment and Animal Population Control, text**

“Animal Population Control.” **American Humane Society.org**.

<http://www.americanhumane.org/position-statement/animal-population-control/>

*This web page lays out the reasons behind animal abandonment.*

- **Alex Libby, Bullying, Teen Activist**

"Life after Bully: Teenage Star of Hit Documentary Finally Escapes His Tormentors . . . and Finds Happiness in New School." By Hannah Rand. **Dailymail.co.uk**. May 21, 2012.

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2147592/Alex-star-hit-documentary-moves-tragic-reality-Americas-13million-bullied-schoolchildren.html>

*An article on how the courage to speak out about being the victim of vicious bullying resulted in unlikely fame and activism.*

- **Anti-bullying activist spreads message of kindness through organization, bullying, text**

"Anti-Bullying Activist Spreads Message of Kindness." By Nia McMillan. **Reading Eagle.com**. March 26, 2013

<http://www2.readingeagle.com/article.aspx?id=463359>

*A text about the young founder of WeStopHate, an anti-bullying advocacy group that helps kids strengthen their self-esteem.*