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We have established The Spark Global Philanthropic Foundation (SPARK) to promote and teach strategic philanthropic practices that empower youth to understand and navigate charity. Our work is important particularly in light of recent data indicating decreasing participation rates in charitable giving and volunteering.

We assemble groups of highly motivated students who aspire to be future innovators and leaders in charitable organizations, social enterprises, philanthropic foundations, and government. We teach them not only about giving, but also about monitoring their impact thereof. Participants complete a Stanford based course on philanthropy, accompanied by a series of seminars delivered by some of the country's leading philanthropists. i.e. Frank Giustra, Pierre Lassonde, John Volken, Ian Telfer, President Clinton, etc. Students also receive an allocation of charity dollars that they are accountable for to donate, amplify and measure.

Our objective is to develop a philanthropic curriculum which becomes embedded in courses offered by our academic institutions throughout the Nation. I am writing to request your support in leading the charge to inspire our youth on this very important and rewarding philanthropic program which will enhance our society.

The Spark program marks the beginning of each student's ability to purposefully and productively contribute to society. First, by making money, and secondly giving it away in a well thought out productive manner. Taking the long view, this program will no doubt change each participant's very outlook on life.

I thank you in advance for making a difference and being part of this transformative group.

Yours Sincerely,

*"Abdul Ladha"*

Abdul Ladha  
Director of Spark

## About SPARK

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The Spark Global Philanthropic Foundation (SPARK) is a non-profit federally registered society dedicated to promoting philanthropy, charitable activities, strategic donating and social impact investing worldwide.

**Our mission** is to engage, empower, and educate people of all ages on the important and rewarding aspects of philanthropy, with the ultimate goal of enhancing society. We bridge communities of wealth, young investors, social entrepreneurs, philanthropists and the like to address global issues and make lasting positive change.

**Our Commitment** is to achieve this objective through education and events. We identify opportunities to educate children, youth and adults through presentations, social media, and fundraising fairs. We organize community events throughout the year and one annual gala supporting various organizations. This provides people of all ages with the chance to give back to their community. We are committed to making all of our events fun, rewarding, and a great way to learn, engage and discover philanthropy.



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SPARK has partnered with numerous organizations and academic institutions in developing and implementing a curriculum on philanthropy for the purpose of implementing it nationally into schools and universities. Its **"E to the Power 4 (E<sup>4</sup>) Academic Philanthropic Initiative"** serves to Encourage, Engage, Empower & Educate people of all ages on the important and rewarding aspects of philanthropy, and on socially responsible investing worldwide.



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