

National Youth Foundation *Presents:*

My Mom Could Be A Super Hero



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OUR MISSION

The National Youth Foundation is dedicated to enriching the lives of children through creative educational programming. Our mission is to promote inclusion and equality, while helping young students develop their literary skills through academic and team building projects.

My Mom is a mail carrier for the United States Post office.



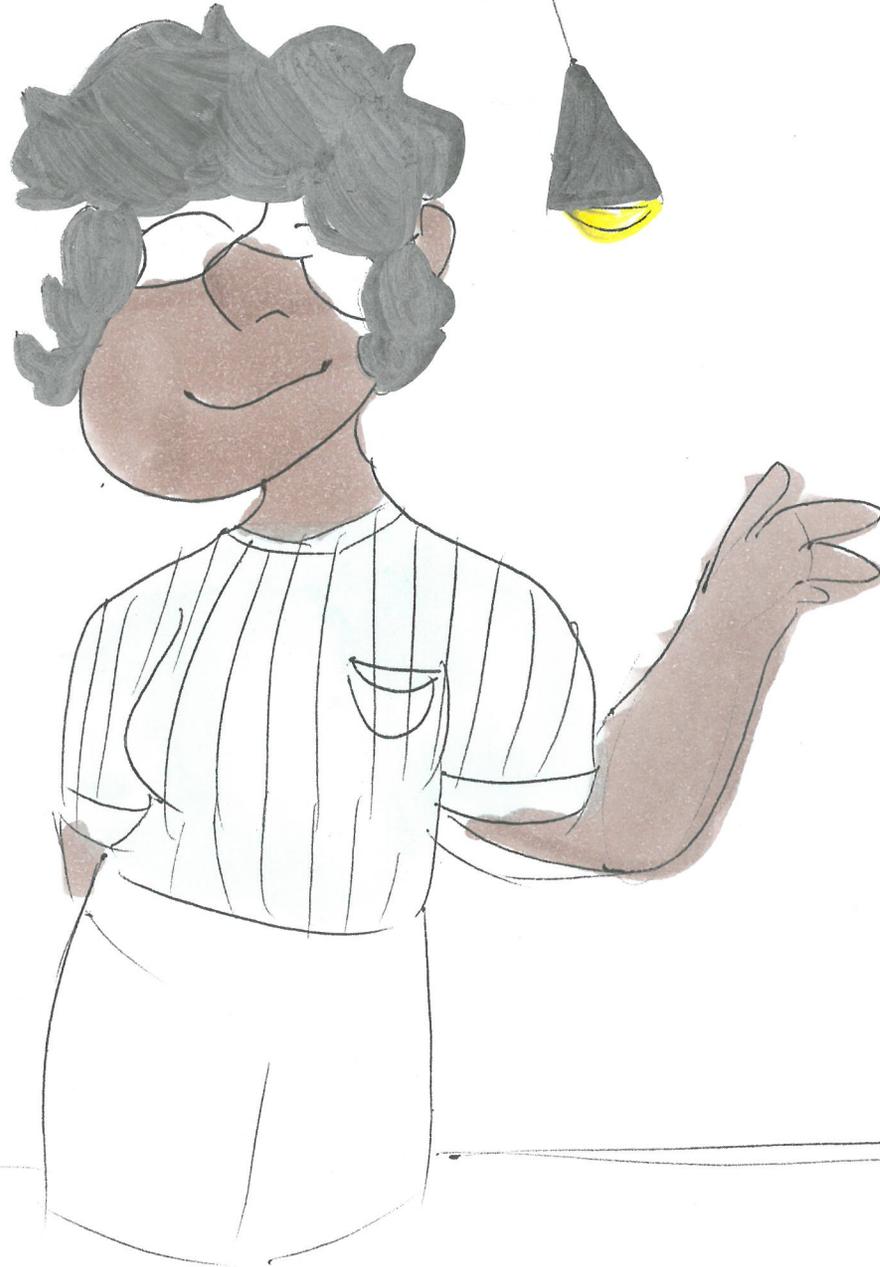
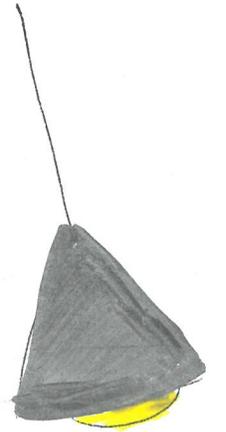
She delivers over one thousand pieces of mail each day.



She has to lift very heavy boxes sometimes as tall and as big as she is. And she never complains.



A lot of people she delivers mail to like and love her because she cares about them and gives them great service. She wants her customers, the people of our community, to be happy.



She delivers mail to about 600 families a day!



She delivers mail when it is extremely hot outside... When there is a heat advisory warning on the news, the mail still must be delivered.



She delivers mail when it's pouring down raining outside.
And sometimes she gets soaking wet.



My mom delivers mail when it is snowing, icy, and freezing cold outside...The schools may close for a snow day, but the US mail must be delivered.



She always says the best part of the day is coming home and being with her family, and that makes her very, very happy!



In spite of any obstacle - weather, winds, or storms - my Mom delivers the mail to make sure that everyone is okay and happy.

That is why my Mom could be a *Superhero*.



Your Mom or Dad could be a *Superhero* too!!!



MEET THE JUDGES



ERIN FALLIGANT
Author, *A Smart Girl's Guide to Getting it Together & The Legend of the Shark Goddess*



DANIEL JAMES BROWN
Author, *The Boys in the Boat*



RUDINE SIMS BISHOP
Professor Emerita, Ohio State University
Author
Winner: 2017 Coretta Scott King/Virginia Hamilton Lifetime Achievement Award (American Library Association)

I have three daughters and three granddaughters, and I am always trying to inspire them to recognize their passions and to achieve their dreams. But there is no better inspiration for girls than that derived by the true stories of real women role models in Amazing Women's Edition. What a wonderful idea for a book!



Sharon Pinkenson
Executive Director
Greater Philadelphia Film Office

All kids deserve the opportunity to see themselves in the books they are reading. It is through the stories of strong women of great impact, that young girls start to create a future of no limits- a future where anything is possible! The Pollination Project is a proud supporter of the National Youth Foundation because we want the world to know: Amazing Women are everywhere!



Alissa Hauser
Executive Director
The Pollination Project

I grew up in a culture where women are heads of households and state. One was even deemed as our National Hero, and another, Prime Minister of Jamaica. However, unlike the men, these women were never celebrated as much or written about extensively. It would be very important for the younger generation of women to see these women's stories and aspire to carry the baton, moving us forward as women.

Nicole Dennis-Benn
Author of *Here Comes the Sun*,
A New York Times Notable Book of the Year

In furtherance of honoring the vast contributions of women, we created and hosted the Amazing Women's Edition book writing contest. We wanted kids to get to know an extraordinary woman in their community and tell us HERstory.

Sophia Hanson
Co-Founder, Amazing Women's Edition

My sister has always told me that it is hard to be what you can't see. That is precisely why it is so important to showcase examples of strong female role models from every walk of life. The National Youth Foundation's efforts to highlight women in leadership roles is critical for our women leaders of tomorrow, and I am happy to support this effort.

Ilhan Omar
United States Congresswoman
First Somali-American Muslim legislator elected to office in the United States



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We applaud the National Youth Foundation for providing future generations a platform to meet, greet and document the incredible works of women. All too often when we think of heroes we immediately think of men. This is an invaluable exercise in gender equality, personal empowerment and education for our youth.

Shane Jenkins
Vice President
Magic Johnson Foundation



When I parachute into some faraway place for the first time, looking urgently for someone to help me make sense of complicated news events, I often turn to women first. They're not always in official positions of authority. But they typically serve in the trenches as their communities' leading organizers and moral guides. When journalists, and authors, overlook those roles, they miss the real story.

Ginger Thompson
Senior Reporter and Pulitzer Prize Winner
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When I entered the venture capital field, there were no female mentors. Today, women are significantly underrepresented. If we want to inspire women in VC, then words are not enough - action is what matters.

Jalak Jobanputra
Founder
Future\Perfect Ventures

