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Open to ALL St. Louis
Metro Area Middle
and High School
Students

18th Annual Human Rights Essay Contest

Universal Declaration of Human Rights guarantees all of us the right to life, liberty and personal security in Article 3 and freedom from torture and degrading treatment in Article 5.

“Are Police Department Policies and Procedures in Violation of Citizens’ Human Rights?”

Guiding questions to think about while writing your essay

In the wake of the Mike Brown shooting in Ferguson, MO should young people feel fearful or angry when encountering police? Should law enforcement ever be involved in degrading or harassing citizens? Why or why not? Have you or someone you know ever been targeted by police? Do you feel the police provide personal security? What do you suggest as ways to build trust between the community and police?

Essay Deadline is October 31, 2014.

Essay must be no more than 500 words on the above theme, preferably typed.
First Place essays will be read at December 10, 2014 Human Rights Program.

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CASH PRIZES

High School:
1st Prize \$150
2nd Prize \$100
3rd Prize \$50

Middle School:
1st Prize \$100
2nd Prize \$50
3rd Prize \$25