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To Whom It May Concern:

On October 26-30 we brought 500 of the best and brightest students from around the country to our 12th Annual Leadership Institute & Recruitment Fair for intensive leadership and professional development training with some of the leading experts in their fields. For these young leaders, many of which are first-generation college students, this is a unique opportunity to chart their course for their future in a diverse global workforce.

With all that being said about our great experience, we also had an unexpected visitor named Sandy come to New York and disrupted our conference, but we didn't allow her to stop our progress. We had to cancel our 25th Anniversary Awards Gala, however we could not disappoint our students and the Leadership Institute pushed through the storm. This unfortunate visitor didn't stop us, however she caused the organization to incur nearly \$350,000 in additional food, hotel and travel expenses for the additional days we had to keep the students in New York. Many of our generous sponsors have stepped up to provide additional support, but we still need assistance.

We are asking people to give to our Relief Fund to assist the organization with absorbing these additional costs. To donate, please click [here](#) call Jennifer Wider at 202.507.4855. We truly appreciate any amount you can give to support.

Sincerely,

Johnny C. Taylor
President & CEO
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Celebrating 25 Years