Section Two: The History of Philanthropy

1. The History of “Philanthropy” and Youth Involvement
This activity introduces the history of philanthropy and how youth became involved in philanthropic action.

2. Philanthropic Matching Game
This activity explores well-known philanthropists and the causes they have supported. The definition of “philanthropy” is reinforced in a matching activity.

3. Circle of Truth
This activity introduces participants to the idea that a community incorporates diverse groups of people. This helps to educate youth in serving a community and/or organization as a philanthropist.

4. Where Do You Score on the Time, Talent, and Treasure Scale?
Participants will take a quiz and see how they score in their philanthropic actions. Each set of questions moves them from individual involvement to group philanthropic actions.

5. Opening your Philanthropic Account
This activity helps the participants experience giving and receiving within their organization and/or community. Youth will think about what they have to give and practice their giving with each other.

6. Plunging into Philanthropic Actions
Participants will meet and learn about individuals who are taking philanthropic action. Representatives of the corporate, private, and public sectors are asked to share their thoughts on why they have become philanthropists for their organizations and/or community.