**Make a Difference Initiative Application**

**Complete the scholarship/project application by responding to each section. The project must serve people in Butte, Lawrence or Meade counties in South Dakota, however, the scholarship** **recipient can be from anywhere. The application should be no more than seven (7) pages long.**

1. Applicant’s name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Declared Major/s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Declared Minor/s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Year in school\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ GPA\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. History of volunteerism. Write a brief paragraph about your past volunteer work.
6. Your personal statement envisioning how you see yourself *Making a Difference* and why this is important to you. (500 words or less)

**Project Proposal**

1. Overview or abstract of the project.
2. Identify a need, issue or problem. How will your project make a positive difference with individuals and the community or society?
3. Literature Review: Research the underlying cause and potential solutions of the identified need, issue or problem. How will the project offer sustainable solutions to alleviate on-going social problems for the purpose of improving the quality of life for one or more of our citizens?
4. Project Aims: Must have a maximum of three SMART objectives (specific, measurable, attainable, realistic and timely).
5. Budget: Propose a budget including an explanation for each line item. Incorporate existing resources wherever possible. Maximum amount which can be awarded will be $2,500. Salary for recipient will not be allowed.
6. Timeline: Provide detailed list of project tasks and deadlines for each task for the duration of the project. The timeline will begin June 1 and end May 31 of the following year.
7. How does this project make a difference?
8. How is this project sustainable?

**Application/proposal is due March 23, 2015. Send application/project proposal electronically as a word document attachment to:** **sandy.klarenbeek@bhsu.edu****. Announcement of selected recipient/s will be April 8, 2015.**