



JENNY RAW

#iwill



*Jenny Raw, 18 years old
From: Nottingham, England*

CHARACTER VIRTUES

I'VE DEVELOPED THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN SOCIAL ACTION

Compassion | Leadership | Resilience, Perseverance & Determination | Communication | Problem-solving

#iwill ... instil in young people a sense of self-worth, an acknowledgment of their own abilities and self-confidence which would have origin in their independent, self-motivated social action work.

When I was 16, I organised an Inter-School Debate, Charity Events and a Social Media Campaign, to engage children from ages 4 to 18 in Human Rights work, particularly Gender Equality. The National Council of Women recognised my social action initiatives across Nottinghamshire and invited me to their AGM to discuss getting more young people involved in social action. I gave a speech at their Annual Conference and, after a trip to a United Nations conference, was then eventually invited to become their first ever Youth Representative.

My work now involves visiting schools and delivering speeches about how pupils can be involved in social action, as well as helping to organise seminars, conferences

and events around the country where young people can meet to debate and discuss issues which affect them. My lack of confidence over the past few years has made me understand that too often young people who are quiet and reserved are overlooked. Social Action has taught me that being an introvert shouldn't hold me back from taking on leadership roles, or to help others. My personal experiences of gender stereotyping empowered me to use my passion for human rights to communicate with other young people, to help them understand their full potential and engage fully in society.

"Engaging in social action challenges us to see more of the world around us and to see it from others' perspectives"

Organisations I've Participated With:

The Humanitarian Aid Relief Trust, Aspire Make A Difference Young Leaders Conference, Huffington Post UK's Youth Voices

