# SPEAKER'S BUREAU

### **Position Summary:**

Be the face of Make-A-Wish Minnesota! A Speaker's Bureau volunteer will present key information and share stories regarding Make-A-Wish to community organizations, corporations, schools, and internal or external events. Through these efforts the Speaker's Bureau volunteer will aim to increase the audience's awareness and support for Make-A-Wish. This opportunity is open to all wish families, as well as volunteers and supporters who have been serving for at least one year.

# **Responsibilities:**

- Represent Make-A-Wish Minnesota by giving speeches to raise consciousness about Make-A-Wish, fundraise, thank organizations, or recruit volunteers
- Verbally communicate key Make-A-Wish facts and figures at community and corporate events, social gatherings, and internal events.
- Share wish stories relaying the impact of a wish with key constituents and the general public.
- Attend check presentations to thank supporters and donors for their support of our mission.
- Engage supporters through energetic, informative public speaking while spreading our mission throughout the community.
- Maintain an understanding of the history, mission, and impact of Make-A-Wish.
- Complete and submit any post-speaking engagement feedback in a timely manner.
- Other duties may be assigned as deemed appropriate.

# Volunteer Commitment:

- The average speaking engagement lasts anywhere from 10 minutes 1 hour. Engagement will vary greatly depending on the organization and event.
- Agree to speak at a minimum of one event per year.
- Complete official Make-A-Wish Speaker's Bureau Training.
- Attend continuing education courses, as offered by Make-A-Wish chapter staff.
- Provide and receive ongoing performance evaluation feedback from chapter staff.

# Availability:

- Staff will contact you via email or phone when there is an upcoming event in your area.
- Staff will give you at least 1-2 weeks advanced notice regarding events.
- You will be provided with location, date, arrival time, length of stay, parking information, on site or emergency contact(s), estimated audience size, speech length, speech topics, dress code, etc.

# **Required Training:**

- Completion of official Make-A-Wish Speaker's Bureau Training.
  - Former recipients of wishes and their family members may take the training as soon as it is available after onboarding. Other volunteers must complete 1 year in the wish granter role before taking the training.

# **Desired Qualifications:**

- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Ability to speak in public with a positive and professional energy.
- Excellent people skills with the ability to work with people from different backgrounds.

- Flexible schedule and willingness to drive up to one hour for speaking engagements.
- Highly organized and detail oriented.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality.
- Proficient in Word and PowerPoint.
- Bilingual abilities in spoken form a plus, particularly Spanish, Hmong, Somali, Arabic, and Oromo