

# Sample Letter

(Current Date)

Dear Dr. King,

I am a tenth grade student at Mt. Pleasant High School. We are studying the history of philanthropy in my Social Studies class. Your name was included on a list of philanthropists we brainstormed in class. Our assignment today was to write a letter to a philanthropist that we admire, and I chose to write to you.

I would like to ask you a few questions concerning your work in the U.S. civil rights movement of the 1960's. I am curious to know how you became involved in the civil rights movement. Were there people that influenced your work, or your way of thinking? What did you do, and where did you do most of your work? Your work has had a great influence on people all over the world. Were you aware of the impact you were having on how history would be written because of your work? Was it part of your plan, or did you merely try to correct areas of society without considering the effects in the future?

I hope you will be able to answer these questions, and I thank you for all you have done.

Sincerely,

