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- 2. Does your organization have 501(c)(3) Status? Yes
- 3. What social issue(s) may students address through community service work at your organization? The students will do projects on sustainable development. These projects and events will be oriented towards protecting our environment, human and ecological health, while driving innovation and not compromising our way of life. The skills that they will learn in the process will be to discover and develop the technologies of the future. Sustainabilty draws on politics, economics, philosophy and other social sciences as well as hard sciences. The volunteers will learn to incorporate these aspects while taking on tasks to make a positive impact in their immediate environment.
- 4. Do you have an age/grade requirement for volunteers? **Yes**
 - a. If yes, please specify: The volunteers will be all high school students, irrespective of their grade level, working towards their Bright Future Scholarship volunteer hours.
- 5. What are some typical activities that students might perform if they complete community service hours with your organization? The volunteers will help UNA Tampa Bay in running environmental action projects, campaigns, events and activities. They will work closely under the guidance of our interns from University of South Florida and University of Tampa. The students will explore knowledge, skills, and values of education for sustainable development and development education gaining a deeper understanding of the interactions between the environment, economic structures and society. All of these will be explored through innovative and engaging activities such as small scale technical projects, building projects, simulations, outdoor activities, conservation work, along with global action project work and interaction with groups around the world. The students will learn about the environmental issues such as climate change, nature and green living, watch environmental films and get involved in hands-on environmental action.
- 6. When can students volunteer at your organization?
 - a. Days of the week? Once a week
 - b. Typical number of hours per week available/required? 2 to 3 hours
 - c. Times they may volunteer? After school
 - d. Do you have students volunteer during the summer months? Yes
 - e. Do you only offer community service hours during the summer? **No**

7. Please briefly list any additional information that students may need to know about your organization if they are considering you as a community service agency: The United Nations Association of Tampa Bay is a non-profit, membership organization that is part of the United Nations Association of the United States of America. The mission for the UNA-USA is to inform the American public of the principles and activities and of the United Nations, to engage the public to support these principles, and to encourage the United States to take an active leadership role in the United Nations. UNA-Tampa Bay pursued the mission of the UNA-USA in a regional scope by interacting with Tampa Bay Communities through education, empowerment, and advocacy. As part of our Global Goals programming initiative, UNA Tampa Bay conducts events and programs focused on the issue of sustainability. Our goal is to create awareness among the young generation of the Bay. We began our outreach with local elementary schools. The issue of climate change was selected as a keynote topic for the Model United Nations Conference this year in March 2016 which was attended by middle and high school students. Throughout the year, we have been engaging with Tampa Bay public on sustainability through education, collaboration, and communication. We are extending our outreach program to the high school students via our internship program.