



Supporting families whose children suffer from life-threatening illnesses, diseases, and disorders.

***Youth Leadership Council***

August 23, 2021

Dear Sir or Madam,

This letter is to recognize Amelie Simpson distinguished service for her two-year commitment to the Mitchell Thorp Foundation (MTF) Youth Leadership Council (YLC). She has performed an outstanding job and has demonstrated Servant Leadership Skills that she has learned in the program.

During her time in the Youth Leadership Council, she has contributed to the success of our group by:

- Volunteering her time and music talents at numerous community fundraising and outreach events, including the Pillars of Hope and the Warrior Spirit 5K Run/Walk.
- Mentoring younger members in the program during our activities.
- Recruiting new members to the YLC program.
- The Mitchell Thorp Foundation nominated her for recognition based on her efforts and achievements to community service organizations in San Diego. In 2020, the San Diego County Public Defender Youth Council selected Amelie as one of San Diego's 25 Most Remarkable Teens. The prestigious award honors the exceptional accomplishments of local teens, and Amelie's selection was a well-deserved acknowledgment of her outstanding character and abilities.

Mitchell Thorp Foundation (MTF) is a public 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that supports families whose children suffer from life-threatening illnesses, diseases, and disorders, by providing financial, emotional and resources to their desperate situation.

The Youth Leadership Council supports the Mission of MTF by planning and executing service projects and events which raise funds and increase awareness of the foundation in the communities that they serve.

I would highly recommend Amelie Simpson as she is very responsible, not afraid to take on new tasks and follows through on all that she was assigned to do. We wish her the very best in all her future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Brad & Beth Thorp  
Founders/CEO/Executive Director  
Mitchell Thorp Foundation



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To Whom it May Concern,

It is my pleasure as Education Manager at The Water Conservation Garden, to recommend Amelie Simpson as a scholarship recipient. Since June 2018, Amelie has been a dedicated volunteer at The Water Conservation Garden (The Garden) in El Cajon, CA, and an instrumental leader of our high school internship program. She has assisted our nonprofit organization in countless ways and recruited other teens to contribute and follow her example.

As a founding member of the Inter-Generational Growing Gardeners Club, Amelie planted winter vegetable beds, attended a four-part Master Gardeners training, and helped with maintenance of the vegetable garden exhibit. During the pandemic, she grew seedlings and helped prepare food gardening delivery kits to the Davila Day Elementary School for deaf and hard of hearing students. Amelie was the main Butterfly Specialist during our Spring and Summer butterfly releases, where she assisted guests to release their own native butterfly and gave instruction on how to safely place their butterflies to nectar at nearby flowers. Amelie showed great poise and patience with animals and people of all ages.

Due to her talent, enthusiasm, and professionalism, Amelie has proven herself as a capable and reliable individual. Other contributions include preparing weekly meals for our three Desert Tortoises, organizing paperwork in our Gift Shop, assisting the docent succulent team, and providing general assistance and clean-up of The Garden.

Amelie has attended and volunteered at many of our special events over the years including the Spring Garden and Butterfly Festival. Last summer, she took her engagement with The Garden even further when she spearheaded a photo greeting card project in which she identified a dozen of our docent's most stunning photographs featuring The Garden. She organized, printed, and assembled these images into beautiful greeting cards that are now regularly sold in our gift shop and used for general operating expenses and member engagement.

Amelie has completed approximately 200 hours of community service at The Water Conservation Garden. She has a genuine motivation to help others in the community, and a great sense of teamwork and leadership. From my experience as her internship supervisor, I am certain that Amelie would make the most of any opportunity.

With Kind Regards,

Jillian Quint

Education Manager