

Violence Prevention Labrador

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Community Coordinators
Labrador Winter Games 2016

"Difference Maker"

Violence Prevention Labrador is delivering a "Respect" campaign during the week of the Labrador Winter Games.

As part of this campaign, we will have space in the daily games paper titled "Difference Maker". The Difference Maker concept is modeled after the Difference Makers with Rick Hansen - An inspiring series of short documentaries on Olympic athletes and the people they credit for their success.

A Difference Maker is an individual who has positively impacted an athletes life (in any aspect of their lives), Role modeled respect of self, others, or in general made a difference in an athletes life which encouraged self respect, respect of others, positive team play, positive self esteem, work ethic, self discipline, leadership, etc. Some examples may be a parent, friend, coach, teacher, family member, community leader, elder, etc.

We are asking coordinators to encourage athletes to participate by writing half to a full page submission (500-1000 words) describing their Difference Maker and how it has impacted their life in and outside of sport!

We will be selecting 6 submissions for print but will be working with the LWG committee to share submissions on the Facebook Page.

Below are some questions to guide submissions (not a mandatory format, just questions to facilitate format):

Athletes Name:

Community:

Favorite Sport (in the games or not, doesn't matter):

Who is your Difference Maker?

What are some attributes/behaviors' did that person role modeled to make a Difference in your life in or outside of sport?



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Can you think of a specific short story to tell to provide an example of this?

How has this impacted your attitude/behavior in a positive way?

What would you identify as important for adults to role model and support youth in their development and in becoming an athlete that would build self confidence, positive self esteem, self respect, and respect of others inside and outside of sport?

We ask that submissions be sent to <u>coordinator@vlabrador.ca</u>. By Feb. 15th, 2016.

Thank you for your cooperation, dedication and understanding of the value sport can play in personal development and life skills.

Sincerely,

Lori Dyson Project Committee Chair