

# Award Recipients

## Who Is NOBODY?

### *Business Award Recipient*

Who Is NOBODY? is a Literacy and Character Education Program that supports students from Grade 1 to 12 in experiencing why EVERYBODY is SOMEBODY! By following 5 simple steps, students identify their personal strengths and then use them to help others.

Since the program began in 2002, participating students from a cross-section of schools have made more than 5000 time, material and funding donations to people, animals and the environment towards lo-

cal, national and international organizations and causes. A class scrapbook and 3D collage allow students to document, share, celebrate and make TANGIBLE the collective effect of each student's individual efforts.

Thanks to the donations from more than 35 Rotary Clubs, the program is now in over 19 School Boards across Ontario and growing, with participants in PEI, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Nunavut and England.

## Laurie-Beth Davidson

### *Individual Award Recipient*

Laurie-Beth Davidson is a long-standing member of our community. She grew up in North Toronto, and moved to Etobicoke for grade 13. After high school, Laurie-Beth graduated with her nursing degree.

After working as a nurse for several years, Laurie-Beth spent a year working in an orphanage in Hong Kong. This led to spending the next six years as an infant care worker with the Metro Children's Aid Society. While raising her daughter, she continued to be active with various organizations including being Chair of the Refugee Support Committee at Islington

United Church for 25 years, and a regular volunteer with Sleeping Children Around the World (SCAW) for the last 26 years.

Since 2000, she has traveled, at her own expense, to Thailand, India, and Honduras to deliver bedkits to needy children between the ages of six and twelve. Laurie-Beth is justly proud of the fact that SCAW guarantees one hundred percent of every donor dollar goes directly to the bedkit, and thus, to the children. She considers it a privilege to help realize the dream of Murray and Margaret Dryden, that every child deserves the right to sleep in a proper bed.

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