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Become a Career Link Mentor

MEAF is a proud supporter of the [USBLN's Career Link Mentoring Program.](#)



USBLN Career Link Mentees and Mentors

The program provides the first step in building a pipeline of emerging professionals, including STEM majors and veterans with disabilities.

What's in it for you and your company?

- an opportunity to "pay it forward"
- an expanded pipeline that includes people with disabilities

Happy Holidays from MEAF

As 2014 comes to a close, we at MEAF would like to thank Mitsubishi Electric's employee volunteers for all they do the whole year through - from designing innovative fundraising projects to supporting their local schools and hosting mentoring projects - to empower youth with disabilities to lead productive lives.

We would also like to thank our grantees and disability/inclusion advocates around the country for making *Changes for the Better* in the lives of youth with disabilities.

Warmest Wishes to you and yours for a **Happy Holiday** and a **Joyous New Year**,
Kevin and **Tara**



*Note: The MEAF office will be closed
December 24-January 4th.*

- increased employee comfort level when communicating with, interviewing, working with, and supervising people with disabilities

- and many others.

Interested volunteers must apply online by **Friday, January 30, 2015.**

[Become a Mentor, Apply Today](#)

Apply to be an intern!

MEAF is proud to support [US International Council on Disabilities \(USICD\)](#)'s internship program, Youth in International Development and Foreign Affairs.



The summer 2015 internship program will bring a group of talented graduate students, recent graduates, and rising juniors and seniors with disabilities to Washington, DC, for nine weeks. This will include a one-week training and orientation program followed by an eight-week internship at an international organization in the Washington, DC, area.

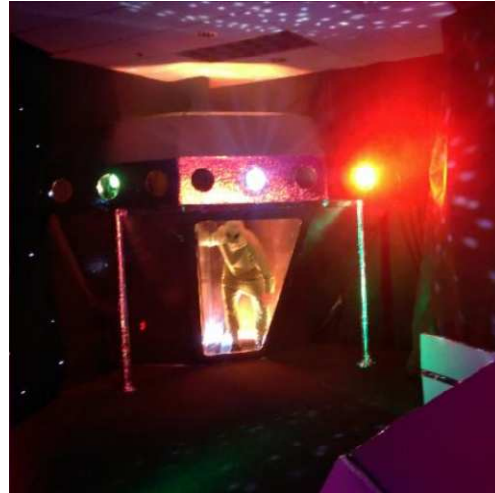
USICD will cover the cost of fully-accessible housing during the program, reimburse travel expenses to and from DC, and provide a limited stipend. It is anticipated that the program will run from May 24 to July 25, 2015. These dates may be subject to change.

Deadline to apply is January 28th.

[Learn more and apply](#)

Hallway Golf Raises \$33,000

Over the past year, employee volunteers at three locations, along with vendors and students from the community teed up to play in the 7th annual company-wide **Mitsubishi Electric Hallway Golf Tournament**. The event raised \$33,000 for four special education schools and non-profit organizations.



Mission: Space Defenders Golf Hole by PEACE Committee, MEAA-Northville, MI

To encourage friendly competition and recognize committees for their hard work, MEAF awarded trophies for the *Most Creative Hole* and *Most Money Raised*. This year both awards went to the **PEACE Committee at MEAA/Northville, MI**. This interactive hole had volunteer golfers saving the world from an alien invasion using a CO₂ powered cannon! Now, that's a hole in one!

Installing Solar Energy, Giving Back

The **DREAM Committee** and **Green Team** (a volunteer group committed to helping the environment) at Mitsubishi Electric US, Inc. partnered with [Grid Alternatives](#) and



DREAM Committee at MEUS/Cypress, CA hosted their Winter Carnival to benefit [Hope School](#) and [Spirit League Sports](#). Santa Clause even came for a visit! This event raised over **\$15,000** with MEAF matches.



LOVE Committee member, **Joy**, from MEUS/Suwanee, GA was presented with the *Katherine Hilliard Hero Award* by the [Special Needs School](#) for all of her hard work raising money for the school and volunteering so much of her time. Congrats Joy!

[California State University Long Beach Disabled Student Services](#) to install donated solar panels on a home in Long Beach, California.



Mitsubishi Electric volunteers and University students installing the gift of solar energy.

Students with disabilities took part in the solar installation training and helped install Mitsubishi Electric solar panels to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and help a family save money on their monthly bills.

This unique project, exposes students with disabilities to STEM careers, benefits the environment, and gives back to the community where Mitsubishi Electric volunteers live and work.

[Read all about it here](#)

Mitsubishi Electric Golf Championship at Hualalai donates over \$57,000 to Rotary Club of Kona

"This year, 2014, was our sixth tournament on the Big Island. We couldn't begin to host such a successful event without all the wonderful support that comes from many people here, including the hundreds of amazing volunteers who work so hard all week," said **Kiyoshi Furukawa**, president and CEO of Mitsubishi Electric US, Inc. "To be able to give something back in a meaningful way is gratifying for all of us at Mitsubishi Electric."



MEAF staff, **Tara**, and her husband, Adam, dressed as Santa in the Santa Hustle 5k to support [American Cancer Society](#) and [Toys for Tots!](#)

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The donation will be used to support community projects, children's healthcare programs, and college scholarships.

[Read the entire story here](#)

The ADA is turning 25!

The **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)** was passed on July 26, 1990. In 2015 we will be celebrating 25 years of this historic legislation.

MEAF is happy to support the **ADA Legacy Tour**, which will be traveling across the United States, honoring the history and accomplishments of the ADA while raising awareness about the disability community and disability rights.

[Find out when the bus will be in your town and make sure to plan a visit!](#)

Check out the links below to learn more about the ADA, and what still needs to be done to make sure people with disabilities have equal access and opportunity.

ADA.gov

[ADA Legacy Project](#)

Deadlines and Reminders

National Grantees

Final Reports are due January 31

Mitsubishi Electric Volunteer Committees

4th Quarter Reports are due January 9

Committee Goals are due February 6

Starfishnet Call is February 11

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