

# Rona P. Silber

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## Education

I am currently dual-enrolled at Hollywood Hills High school and at Broward College, where I am working to receive my AA Degree and my High School Diploma in June of 2018.

## Leadership

- List of my past and present positions I held in academic clubs at my high school and organizations in the community:
  - Parliamentarian of the Broward County Honor Society (BCHS) for 2017 - 2018
  - Vice President of National Honor Society (NHS) for 2017 – 2018
  - Member of Student Government Association (SGA) for 2017-2018
  - Liaison of National Honor Society (NHS) from 2016 - 2017
  - Vice President of Hollywood Hills Film Club (STV) from 2016 - 2018
  - Vice President of the Parent Teacher Student Organization (PTSO) at Hollywood Hills high school from 2015 - 2018
  - President of Anime Club from 2016 – 2018
  - Volunteer Coordinator of Kidz 4 A Cure Executive Board of Directors from 2015 - 2018
  - Member of Broward Youth Committee (BYC) from 2016 – 2018
  - Member of Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) 2014 - 2016
  - Member of National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) from 2012 – 2014
  - Volunteer Coordinator of Attucks Middle School Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) from 2012 - 2014
  - Member of Girl Scouts Troop 10041 from 2007 – 2014

## Experience

### BABYSITTER | VARIOUS LOCATIONS | JUNE 2012 - PRESENT

- Babysitter and a tutor to young neighborhood kids as well as to children of our friends and family, in addition to international vacationing kids at the Wave Condominium. As a Girl Scout, I always obtain a current CPR certified specializing as first respond to young children and infants in case of emergency.

### SCHOOL TEACHER ASSISTANT | TEMPLE BETH EL | SEPTEMBER 2016 UNTIL MAY 2017

- As the Sunday School Teacher Assistant, I am helping teachers with greeting the students, of various age groups from Kindergarten to Sixth grade, at the dropped off and direct them to the first activity meeting hall. My responsibilities include distribute the worksheet given to the students, monitor and supervise their participation, introduce, during specific lessons, the Jewish culture and traditions, and assist in preparations of the teachers' lesson plans for the week while also teaching students one on one when needed.

### ASSOCIATE | PANERA BREAD | NOVEMBER 2016 UNTIL APRIL 2017

- My responsibilities at Panera Bread were to greet the customers and take their orders, accept payment and managed the funds at the register, keep my assigned station clean and neatly organized, and restock the displayed food items and supplies - all while ensuring customer satisfaction was always guaranteed.

### ASSISTANT OF STORE MANAGER | DALIA'S UNIQUE | JANUARY 2013 UNTIL AUGUST 2015

- As the assistant of the store manager, Dalia Attia, I filed documents, conducted different office chores, cleaned the jewelry display cases, assist in the weekly inventory records and helped greeting the customers. Very often interact with the customers conversation that lead to sell some of the merchandise.

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- Broward County Public School – Outstanding student Volunteer of the Year.  
Award Ceremony scheduled to May 10th, 2018
- 97.3 Radio Station – Student of the Week – April 12th, 2018
  
- Parliamentarian of the Broward County Honor Society (BCHS) for 2017 – 2018  
Received a plaque, Medallion and Trophy 4.20.2018
- Vice President of National Honor Society (NHS) for 2017 – 2018  
Dr. Iris Payan, 754.323.1050, [Iris.Payan@BrowardSchools.com](mailto:Iris.Payan@BrowardSchools.com)
  
- Member of Student Government Association (SGA) for 2017-2018  
Coach Dianna Cabot, 754.323.1050, [Dianna.Cabot@BrowardSchools.com](mailto:Dianna.Cabot@BrowardSchools.com)
  
- Broward County Liaison Officer of National Honor Society (NHS) from 2016 – 2017  
Certificate of Award Recognition  
Dr. Iris Payan, 754.323.1050, [Iris.Payan@BrowardSchools.com](mailto:Iris.Payan@BrowardSchools.com)
  
- Vice President of Hollywood Hills Film Club (STV) from 2016 – 2018  
Certificate of Appreciation Award  
Jeffrey Freeman, 754.323.1050, [Jeffrey.Freeman@BrowardSchools.com](mailto:Jeffrey.Freeman@BrowardSchools.com)
  
- Vice President of the Parent Teacher Student Organization (PTSO) at Hollywood Hills high school from 2015 – 2018  
Certificates of Appreciation, Certificates of Award Recognition and Scholarship  
Rachel Silber, President 754323.1058, [hhhsPTSO@gmail.com](mailto:hhhsPTSO@gmail.com), [Rachel.Silber@BrowardSchools.com](mailto:Rachel.Silber@BrowardSchools.com)
  
- President of Anime Club from 2016 – 2018  
Certificate of Appreciation Award  
Jeffrey Freeman, 754323.1050, [Jeffrey.Freeman@BrowardSchools.com](mailto:Jeffrey.Freeman@BrowardSchools.com)
  
- Volunteer Coordinator of Kidz 4 A Cure Executive Board of Directors from 2015 – 2018  
Lorrie Cram, President [Kidz4aCure1993@gmail.com](mailto:Kidz4aCure1993@gmail.com)
  
- Member of Broward Youth Committee (BYC) from 2016 – 2018
  
- Member of Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) 2014 – 2016  
Dr. Jacqueline Smith, 754323.1050, [Jacqueline.Smith@BrowardSchools.com](mailto:Jacqueline.Smith@BrowardSchools.com)
  
- Member of National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) from 2012 – 2014  
Errol Evans, Principal, 754.323.3000. [Errol.Evans@BrowardSchools.com](mailto:Errol.Evans@BrowardSchools.com)
  
- Volunteer Coordinator of Attucks Middle School Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) from 2012 – 2014  
Rachel Silber, President 954.993.5355, [Rachel.Silber@BrowardSchools.com](mailto:Rachel.Silber@BrowardSchools.com)
  
- Member of Girl Scouts Troop 10041 from 2007 – 2014  
Received most Patches, Awards, Medallions, Certificate of Appreciations  
Sonya Sterling, Leader 954.655.1895

## RONA P. SILBER - PERSONAL STATEMENT / ESSAY

Born to an Israeli single Mom who cares to make a difference in the local community by enriching children life – it was easy to follow these big steps. Since early age I accompanied my Mom in various charities meeting and learned the importance of volunteerism.

The best gift you can give is your time with the hope that you will make a difference with in the community, and when others will follow – the change will be in the all wide world.

We call our home The Charity World, where anyone can come and ask for help, and my Mom will never say no but find a way to assist the people in need. In my house, just like in every school I study at - there is always a “Charity Project” to take care off.

As a Girl Scouts I learned to leave the place better than we found it and that is my goal – to leave a legacy behind that others can follow and continue.

The Kidz 4 a Cure organization established at our friend’s dining room table organizing a toy drive to couple of dozen HIV+ kids in need – but today we are registered non-profit organization which annually serves hundreds of kids infected with HIV+ and or underprivilege that receive 3 gifts during the holidays, according to their personal wishes. The gifts are delivered to the children and their families the weekend prior to Christmas. While the parent or most of the time the caretaker receives gift cards, diapers and baby food and other food items collected from local supermarkets. When Kidz 4 a Cure started in 2000 caring for about couple of dozens of kids nobody versioned the fact, during our last Operation Cheer, over 230 kids were served mostly by collected donations.

Year after year I assisted in wrapping the donated gifts and delivered them to the kids and decided to go to the next level and introduced Operation Cheer to our Hollywood Hills High School National Honor Society Chapter, two years ago, and this year to our Broward County National Honor Society, in order for more students get involved and more children will be served.

Starting in June we collect empty boxes from Payless and wrapping them with colorful holidays gift wraps, getting ready for the donated gifts to arrive and put them in the boxes and tag them accordingly.

In October, the initiated list distributes among the students and staff to choose their “adopted” kid or a family and running back and forth assuring every kid is taken care off. Obtaining an organized list of recipients with their dream wishes for the holidays with a matching donor is very hard, especially among High School students – but we have succeeded to call it now our Annual Operation Holidays Cheer Project school wide in Broward County Florida!

As a Senior student, I wanted to leave a legacy that others can follow and underprivilege kids will benefit of.

My main involvement with United Ways of Broward County is through the Leadership Programs, in which to addition of the volunteer regular services; of cleaning the South Florida Beaches, packing food bags, school backpack and other charity events, I have been requested to facilitate teens workshops where I show my methods in helping kids by kids and inspire others to have a better world by making a difference one community at a time.

About a year ago we were approached by the Athletic Department Director, who requested the HHHS PTSO (In which I am a Board of Director Vice President) to provide food for the players prior games and during training. Coach Perry also mentioned that some students fainted during training due to luck of food in their house.

Growing up in Israel, where my grandparents didn’t have enough food to feed 5 kids, many nights my Mom went to sleep starving because there was not enough food in the country, and her parents lost all their fortune while traveling from Egypt to Israel.

In her early childhood, my Mom promised herself that she will do all she can and not allow kids to grow up in poverty, as much and I followed her examples.

Since my Mom immigrated to United State she was always involved in charity organizations, always the PTA / PTSA / PTSO President and were able to establish enormous charity networking relationships. As an employee at Panera Bread I approached the new local management to agree to provide our HHHS PTSO with the “Day-old” bakery products and delivered it early morning to our Athletics Department to feed the students in need.

Just like my mom, I vowed to feed all our students better thanks to the local business community I believe I succeeded. During the school vacations we still collect the food but deliver it to the Local Homeless Shelters and the Jubilee Center in order to avoid trashing it by the stores. In addition, we collect clothing and shoes to assist our students in need and the Homeless Shelters.

Collecting food late at night can take a huge toll on your body and soul, (especially at my Mom age and my busy schedule as a duel enrolled student) not to mention the expenses, but seeing the students waiting eagerly, every morning, for the goodies that they can eat, and allowed to take home, makes our volunteer work worth it regardless all involved and required.

As a HHHS PTSO Vice President and on Board other organizations - I volunteer many hours a week but specifically for the school healthy Project I spend physically an average of 4 hours in collections and delivery plus at least two hours on the phone and internet, searching for additional sources and learning new venues to improve our mission. Mentality it is 24 / 7 around the clock work when always thinking how to improve and reach out further to be able to assist more and more. What drives me to be involved in creating healthy school environments? daily challenges stand in front of me to improve underprivileged kids’ life. We are not the most riches family in town, in fact – far from it, but never missed anything due to planning ahead and the community generosity.

In fact, my Mom is my charity competition – assisting others through the National Honor Society and as a District Officer of the organization and others.

The most challenging in my volunteer work that the need is always greater than I assumed or imagine, but the satisfaction comes with a huge smile and thankful handshake, from appreciated students and parents. I believe I am blessed and fortunate for being able to serve the community and make a difference in some people’s lives.