



### **Award for Outstanding Youth Philanthropist**

This award celebrates a young person who demonstrates a leadership role in local community service. This person is dedicated to benefiting either individuals in need or charitable institutions and is committed to the concept of community service, fundraising or volunteering.

#### **Daniel Bersyniow-Naane**

Daniel Bersyniow is a first year Health Sciences student at the University of Ottawa who grew up with an innate passion for helping others. In 2019, Mr. Bersyniow launched a program called the “Star of Life Project,” in affiliation with the United Nations Association in Canada to help meet their 2030 Sustainable Development Goals.

The Star of Life Project’s mission is to create a world where no child is left without proper access to healthcare. Mr. Bersyniow feels strongly about healthcare, and through his volunteerism, seeks to help shape the course of medicine through the discovery of sustainable solutions for modern day complications. He believes in crafting solutions that are adaptive, effective, and sustainable over the long-term, to create collaborative change and transform lives.

Last year, Mr. Bersyniow and his classmates gathered over 15,000 masks, along with 500 bottles of hand sanitizer and 120 face shields to send to northern Indigenous schools, with the help of Engel & Völkers Ottawa. Outside of school, Mr. Bersyniow is an avid sailor, accomplished pianist, and works as a math and French instructor.