Student Recipient

Nidhi Nair is a senior at Lake Oswego High School who is passionate about community service and leadership inside and outside of the classroom. Within school, she serves as the ASB Communications Secretary as a part of the elected student government, and is also an editor-in-chief of the Lake Views newspaper. She has been involved with the Lake Oswego Youth Leadership Council throughout all four years of high school.

When she was a student at Lake Oswego Jr. High, Nidhi founded the Random Acts of Kindness Club. She coached other middle schoolers to continue the club after she moved to high school. Nidhi believed that the activities undertaken by the club helped students to better understand the value of service and kindness, which in turn helped them prepare for high school and their future lives. She worked with junior high students again during her sophomore year at LOHS when she started a RAK at Lakeridge Middle School.

Since 2020, Nidhi has been a volunteer for Hunger Fighters Oregon, the local food pantry. They provided food and essential hygiene items to more than 13,000 guests in 2023 alone. As their technical administrator, she assists with technology and website management. She's also one of the organization's student board members, whose primary function is informing the community about food insecurity. Nidhi has coordinated food drives and made presentations at elementary and middle school assemblies to educate students about the pantry's mission and activities.

