**Comments from AAL Network Friends on Advocacy**

* "{The field of world languages} is not inclusive. As an African-American female, the only way to have space in the field is to create it, without offering any apologies for doing so. I am a very optimistic and persistant educator who will create a path one day." ***Kimberlie Colson, IN***
* "I feel that I have the responsibility to introduce the world of bilingualism to younger African-Americans." ***Andranique Ellis, AR***
* "I am passionate about promoting world languages in the African-American community. As a product of a low-income housing project, I have experienced firsthand the effects of the lack of motivation and exposure to the world and its many cultures. It is our duty to go into African-American communities and teach our people about the world in which we live. I am definitely an educator that will take this role seriously." ***Tamara Hughes, NC***
* "I would love to be apart of an organization such as this one to hopefully play a role in developing programs to increase the promotion of world languages in the African-American community." ***La Verne E. Flowers, VA***