

Service-Learning E-News

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"We are prone to judge success by the index of our salaries or the size of our automobiles, rather than by the quality of our service and relationship to humanity."

-Martin Luther King Jr.

Online Resources

[S-L Clearinghouse](#)
[CU Volunteer Database](#)
[Parkland College Service Learning Website](#)

Share Your S-L Stories

If you are involved in service-learning with Parkland students, please share your stories with the Parkland community by contacting [Jordan Hall](#)

Martin Luther King Day of Service

Join Service-Learning at Parkland for our annual Martin Luther King Day of Service on Monday, January 18 2016. We will be working with the Wesley Food Pantry at Parkland College to repackage food for local families experiencing food scarcity. For more information on our MLK Day of Service activities, please email Jordan Hall at jdhall@parkland.edu.

The pantry is open on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 11am-1pm and 4-6pm, and the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month from 10:00-noon. Also, the pantry provides opportunities for service-learning on the Parkland campus. Check out [their website](#) for more information about the Wesley Food Pantry and volunteer opportunities with them.

Please contact [Brian Nudelman](#) or [Jordan Hall](#) for information on starting a service-learning component with the pantry.

Volunteer Fair - January 2015

Mark your calendars now for the Spring Semester's Volunteer Fair, set for Wednesday, January 20th from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Student Union. The Volunteer Fair is a great way to network, meet local nonprofit organizations, and become involved in local volunteer opportunities. We had a great turnout this fall, so we're excited to invite you to stop by the Fair, tell your friends about it, or maybe bring your class by to visit with community organizations such as the Courage Connections, the Audubon Society, and Blood Services of Illinois.

For more information, or for a list of participating organizations, please contact Jordan Hall at jdhall@parkland.edu or (217) 353-3303.

Check out our Service-Learning Websites

Once again, we encourage you to take a look at the my.Parkland Service-Learning Website. In addition, this semester, we've also added more information to our www.parkland.edu website, specifically, we list and link to all of our volunteering partner organizations. You can view the [my.parkland.edu Service-Learning Website here!](#) You can view the [www.parkland.edu Service-Learning Page here!](#)

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Join the Garden Hills Homework Club

For the past eight years, students and faculty of Parkland College have been working with 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders at an afterschool program called the Homework Club at Garden Hills Elementary. The Club, a partnership between Parkland College and Champaign Unit 4 Schools, meets two days a week (Mondays and Wednesdays), from 3:00-4:00pm. We are currently recruiting members of the Parkland community to volunteer one or two days a week throughout the Spring semester. Volunteers provide not only academic support to the Garden Hills kids, but also serve as important role models to at-risk youth. Due to the success of previous semesters, our primary goal this term is to increase the number of Parkland College students working with Garden Hills students. For more information about potentially connecting your class or club with the Garden Hills Homework Club this semester, **please contact Brian Nudelman at 351-2534 or Jordan Hall at jdhall@parkland.edu**

Follow Parkland Service-Learning on Social Media

Service-Learning at Parkland is now on Social Media! Follow us, like us, and friend us for updates about our programs, recruitment deadlines, and information about our community partners. Many of these media outlets are new for us, so we are currently in the process of adding more material to them.

Facebook – [Parkland College Service Learning](#)

Garden Hills Facebook – [Parkland College Homework Club](#)

Twitter - [@ParklandCSL](#)

Flickr – [servicelearningparkland](#)

Instagram – Coming soon...

Service-Learning Advisory Council Meetings

Join the Service-Learning Advisory Council this spring to talk about matters related to volunteerism and Service-Learning here at Parkland College. The SLAC is busy planning the Martin Luther King Day of Service, discussing the Garden Hills Homework Club, and coordinating other service-related events and programs. Come on out to hear what is happening on the front lines of service here at the College.

Spring semester meetings will be February 4th @ 3:00pm and April 7th @ 3:00pm in D270