

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 Mike Moran

MLK Day of Service

On January 20, Parkland College will host its annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service. In honor of Dr. King, we'll be using this day off to serve our community. We'll be sending volunteers to Salt and Light Ministries, Daily Bread Soup Kitchen, and the Orpheum Children's Science Museum between 9 and 1:30. Contact Mike Moran at mmoran@parkland.edu or (217) 353-3302 for more information, or to sign up.

Upcoming Volunteer Fair

Mark your calendars for this Fall's Volunteer Fair, set for Tuesday, January 28 from 10:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. in the Flag Lounge and College Center. The Volunteer Fair is a great way to network, meet the local nonprofit organizations, and to become involved in local volunteer opportunities. We had a great turnout last semester, so we're excited to invite you to stop by the Fair, tell a friend about it, and maybe bring your class by to visit with over 20 community organizations. For more information or for a list of participating organizations contact Mike Moran at mmoran@parkland.edu or (217) 353-3302.

Join the Garden Hills Homework Club

For the past six 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 School District 4, meets two days a week (Mondays and Wednesdays), from 3:00-4:00 PM. We are currently recruiting members of the Parkland Community to volunteer one or two days a week throughout the fall semester, providing not only academic support to the Garden Hills kids, but also serving as important role-models to at-risk youth. Due to past successful semesters with the Club, our primary goal is to expand, with more Parkland students and faculty, working with more Garden Hills students. For information about potentially connecting your class or club with the Garden Hills/Parkland College Homework Club this semester, please contact Brian Nudelman @ 351-2534 or Mike Moran at 353-3302 or mmoran@parkland.edu.

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Check out the Service-Learning Website!

Once again, we encourage you to take a look at the my.parkland Service-Learning Website. You can [view the Service Learning Website here!](#) This semester we've also added a page to the parkland.edu website with all our volunteering partner organizations for public access. Check it [out](#).

New Parkland College Food Pantry

The Parkland College Food Pantry opened this past December in the S building across the road from the main building. The pantry is open on the second Wednesday of each month from 7am-2pm, and is stocked to feed roughly 2000 people. Besides offering an incredible service for our students, the pantry provides an excellent opportunity for service learning on the Parkland campus. You can visit the website [here](#) to sign up for volunteering or to donate money for food. Most importantly, students need to know this service exists, so spread the word.