



Incorporating Service

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Baseline Service Requirement

- 1 service activity per year
- 80% of members should attend
 - Participation can spread across multiple events
- Requirement is monitored through EngageXU

Understanding the “why” behind service



discover
DEVELOP | LEAD

Can service be harmful?

- Means to end approach
- Populations are stereotyped & misunderstood
 - Needs are defined as deficiencies
- Short-term relationships are inevitable
- Action without intention

Principles of Good Practice for Combining Service and Learning

- Responsible actions for the common good
- Careful matching of providers and needs
- Involvement of those with needs in defining needs
- Sustained commitment (if possible)
- Reciprocal relationships with diverse populations
- Sense of humility
- Critical reflection on activities

Questions to Ask

- What are the organization's goals?
- What resource are they to the community?
- What's the impact we will make?
- What's the commitment for your club?
 - Driving distance
 - Weekday/weekend

Take 5 to Reflect



- What skills can your members give to service?
- What experience would you like members to take away from service?
- What is a relevant cause or organization that connects to your club's overall

purpose?

Examples

Commuter Activities Board – Northside Litter Cleanup
Math Club – Tutoring
Irish Club – Volunteer at an Irish Heritage Center

Accountability through Reflection

- Encouraged or led by leadership
- Individual or group; informal or formal
 - Examen, journaling, convo in the car on the way home
- Brief, but intentional
 - Zoom in (personal), then zoom out (societal)
- Consider incorporating service in feedback surveys
 - Examine personal growth, connection to goals/mission, quality of partnership, etc.

On-Campus Plug Community Action Day

- Organized by the Center for Faith and Justice
- Saturday October 19th, 2024
 - 9:00 AM – 2:00 pm
- Local sites are selected for you
- Breakfast, lunch & reflection included

Agree / Disagree

- My perspective on service changed as a result of this session
- I am energized to serve with my club or org
- Humility is a key aspect of service
- Responsible service requires relationship building

Thank you!