

Supporting Your Students Through Service

ADVISOR RESOURCE CONNECTION

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“Service to others leads to greatness”

–Jim Rohn

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OVERVIEW

- Identifying the Community Needs
- Setting Clear Expectations & Goals
- Encouraging Service Projects
- Collaboration & Teamwork
- Recognizing Your Student's Efforts
- Fostering Reflection
- Promoting a Life Long Commitment
- Upcoming Opportunities!



IDENTIFY THE COMMUNITY NEEDS

Help students assess local community needs, whether through local non-profits, government organizations, or direct community outreach. Encourage them to focus on issues that resonate with their interests and talents.

Offer advice on setting up needs assessments or surveys to gather insights on what the community requires.



CREATE CLEAR EXPECTATIONS AND GOALS

Collaborate with students to set clear, achievable goals for their community service projects. These goals should be measurable and aligned with both student interests and community needs.

Encourage students to define the impact they wish to have (e.g., how many people they hope to serve, what changes they want to see in the community).



ENCOURAGE SERVICE-ORIENTED PROJECTS

Support initiatives that benefit the university and San Marcos community, as they are also members of the San Marcos community. Students can get involved in service projects that align with their values, allowing them to learn while giving back.

There are different ways to support this whether it be donations/fundraising, or more of a hands on approach for others.

*Tabling is not a service project



ENCOURAGE COLLABORATION & TEAMWORK

Encourage students to work in groups, promoting teamwork and collaboration. This will also foster leadership development and help them to distribute tasks efficiently.

Offer guidance on how to effectively delegate responsibilities, keeping everyone motivated and on track toward common goals.

- Encourage subcommittee work- this even gives members the opportunity to take on a leadership role



RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE EFFORTS

Recognize the efforts of student volunteers through awards, certificates, or public acknowledgment, boosting morale and showing appreciation for their hard work.

Encourage students to share their experiences, either through social media or school publications, to inspire others to get involved.



FOSTER REFLECTION

Encourage students to reflect on their experiences, either through journaling, group discussions, or other forms of feedback. This helps students internalize their learning and evaluate the impact of their work.

Prompts for reflection could include questions like, "What did you learn about yourself during this project?" or "How did this service opportunity shape your understanding of the community?"



PROMOTE LONG-TERM COMMITMENT

Encourage students to think about sustainability and the long-term impact of their community service projects. Support them in finding ways to keep their work going even after they leave the organization, such as by mentoring younger students or helping set up ongoing initiatives.



**BOBCAT BUILD'S
BIG EVENT**

**REGISTER TO VOLUNTEER AT THIS
YEAR'S ANNUAL DAY OF SERVICE!**

EVENT DATE: SATURDAY, APRIL 5

For over 20 years, Bobcats have come together to serve the Hays County community and create a positive impact as our way of sending a big "Thank You." Volunteer with a team or bring yourself - all students are welcome to register!

SCAN TO
SIGN UP

BIGEVENT.TXST.EDU/VOLUNTEERS

DEADLINE:
MARCH 8, 2025

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Thank Bobcats!

If you require accommodations due to a disability in order to participate or have any questions please contact us at bigevent@txstate.edu or @txstleadserve on Instagram at least 72 hours in advance of the event.

Bobcat Build's Big Event Volunteer Registration:

<https://bigevent.txst.edu/volunteers.html>

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ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Service Saturday (2/15/25- Spots are filling up!):

<https://txst.campuslabs.com/engage/event/10743970>

Additional Service Opportunity:

2/28 from 1pm-4pm at Centro Esperanza The place needs help cleaning out their storage, wiping down items, and potentially sorting donations.



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