CSUnity: Alumni Day of Service  
April 16, 2016  
Frequently Asked Questions

The CSU Alumni Association has proudly partnered with CSU's Student Leadership, Involvement & Community Engagement (SLiCE) Office for nine years to participate in CSUnity. In 2015, 130 alumni participated in 13 cities making it a successful national day of service for Colorado State University. In 2016, students and alumni can continue the tradition by sharing CSUnity experiences on social media (Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram) using the hashtag #CSUnity2016.

When is CSUnity 2016?
Saturday, April 16, 2016. This date is the same for both alumni and students.

When does our Ram Network/Affinity Group need to have our project confirmed?
March 25, 2016 is the deadline for project submittals. This allows the Alumni Association time to set up registration pages as well as communications to market this service opportunity.

How long should our community service project last?
It depends! We recommend that you work with a local organization to set up the project and discuss with them the appropriate time frame for a group of volunteers to serve. On average, projects last 2-4 hours.

What are some past examples of past CSUnity projects lead by alumni groups?
- San Diego has participated in Surf Rider Beach Cleanup during which volunteers cleaned up a portion of a beach.
- Kansas City partnered with Hope Faith Ministries to serve meals to the homeless, help staff a clothing shop, and other tasks as needed.
- Denver has supported Food Bank of the Rockies and Project Cure.
- Fort Collins has done restoration projects at the Wolf Sanctuary.

What are the most successful types of projects?
When you are doing good work in the community, it is hard not to be successful! However, we have found that projects with a defined role and where alumni have the chance to work with each other typically yield the best experience. For example, if you volunteer as a group for a local race, chances are you will be split up into smaller groups and therefore not have as much chance to interact with other alumni. Participating in a project at a food bank or cleaning up a school or park typically has more chance for interaction with more alumni.

How do I find a project or organization with which to partner?
As a community member, you are best equipped to know the needs of your local area. Think about organizations that you have heard of doing good work or groups that friends have volunteered with, and contact them to see if you can bring in a group of people to volunteer.

How many people should I plan on participating in my CSUnity project?
Again, it depends on the project and the area! Be sure to ask if the organization has a minimum or maximum for the number of people who volunteer, and then indicate that on the CSUnity Project Form.

What is the process for signing people up for CSUnity?
The CSU Alumni Association will manage communication for the Alumni Day of Service, as well as collect registrations for each project. You are highly encouraged to invite your family and friends to participate in the project with you, as well as other local alumni volunteers.

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