

Benefits of Service-Learning

Benefits for the Community

- Provides more “people power” in the community
- Increases the likelihood that students will volunteer after graduation
- Broadens the pool of students who make community-focused career choices
- Provides educational resources for problem solving
- Strengthens connections between the community and the college

Benefits for the Student

- Builds confidence through providing needed services
- Explores potential careers and builds professional networks
- Learns to face and define broader community issues
- Develops 21st Century workplace skills
- Gains exposure to cultural and socio-economic differences
- Deepens class discussions and increases critical thinking
- Learns civic and social responsibility

Benefits for the College & Faculty

- Enables the college to serve the community as partners
- Provides a hands-on learning setting in the community
- Applies course content to solving real-world problems
- Supports school-to-work function of the college
- Improves college and community relations

Questions?

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