The Leadership and Service Center offers a unique and collaborative environment for students to explore their own leadership development. Our mission is to equip students to positively impact their communities through involvement in student organizations, leadership development, service, and civic engagement.
The Community Service Annual Report not only represents community service initiatives from the LSC, it showcases community service from across campus. Self-reported data is collected from students, organizations, departments, colleges, and programs to represent UofSC’s commitment to service. During 2020-2021, UofSC volunteers were involved in hands-on community service, philanthropic fundraising, community-based research, service-learning and advocacy initiatives.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT**

$3,666,374.20

**SERVICE HOURS**

121,085

**UofSC VOLUNTEERS**

9,654

Serving my community has been a required part of my life growing up, but I realized I actually loved serving upon going to college. I’ve always wanted to choose a career that would let me make a difference, big or small. Serving has allowed me to make that difference in various ways in the community where I am placed.

**Stephanie Shewhart**  
The Big Event (2021-2022 Co-Director)

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**WHY DO YOU CHOOSE TO SERVE?**

I choose to serve because I know that I’m making a positive impact in my community by helping those in need. Serving allows me to better the communities that I’m in, while also staying connected to the communities as well.

**Kayla King**  
2021 Student Life Summer Intern, CECEY Ambassador
I devote time to serving others because it shows those in need that there are people who care about them. I choose to serve through the Leadership and Service center specifically because it connects the university to the greater Columbia community, providing me the opportunity to meet new people and build life-long friendships.

Reagan Wells
Service Saturday (2020-2021 Site Leader, 2021-2022 Senior Site Leader)

I choose to serve, not only for the well-being of my community, but for my own growth and education. Service allows me to create lasting change by working with organizations around me and also increases my knowledge and understanding of social issues that I would otherwise be unaware of.

Alaisha Smith
Service Saturday (2020-2021 Site Leader, 2021-2022 Senior Site Leader)
Since traveling outside of the Columbia metropolitan area was not possible this academic year, the Leadership and Service Center offered local Alternative Break trips. Students served at Habitat for Humanity Restore, Salvation Army of the Midlands, Transitions Homeless Shelter, and other sites.

Students in Carla Swygert’s SPAN 360 Spanish for Healthcare Professionals course created a website for the Columbia Hispanic community. The website includes links to important community resources and information about common ailments and diseases this community faces.

Cocky’s Reading Express (CRE) could not visit schools in person this academic year so CRE volunteers recorded “read alouds” and helped in a number of other ways, including going to other sites like EdVenture and Bilingualism Matters to assist those groups in their literacy efforts.

Fraternity and sorority members collected costumes for the Prisma Health Children’s Hospital in place of the annual Trick or Treat with the Greeks event.

Students in Debbie Billings’ SCHC 385 Equity, Justice, and Mutual Aid: Beyond Philanthropy and Charity course worked directly with Mutual Aid Midlands to address COVID-19 concerns with local residents and develop new community initiatives that will extend beyond COVID-19 related concerns. Students in this course also helped the organization win a grant for their work.

SUCCESS STORIES

University of South Carolina students found several unique ways to serve with the community throughout the year.
Strom Thurmond-Steve Cannon Carolina Cares Scholarship
Recognizes a student who has made significant contributions to the Carolina and surrounding area through community service.

Willie L. Harriford Outstanding Service Award
Recognizes a student who actively seeks opportunities to address and serve the needs of the African American community as well as the Columbia community in its entirety like Willie L. Harriford did for the Richland County community.

Rosemary Broadway Memorial Scholarship
Recognizes a student who lives off-campus and is actively involved in community service.

Micheal Parker

Callie Farrell

Lorena Beltran

Paul Fidler Volunteer Service Award
Recognizes an undergraduate or graduate student for outstanding volunteer service to those in need. It is given in memory of Dr. Paul Fidler, the former Director of Research, Grants and Planning, and Student Affairs Liaison to the Carolina Chaplains, whose career at USC and his teaching at the College of Education provided service to others for 34 years.

Biyun Celia Cui

Rosemary Broadway Memorial Scholarship
Recognizes a student who lives off-campus and is actively involved in community service.
Outstanding Student Service Organization Award
Recognizes student organizations that are role models for other organizations based on their quality of service, amount of time and effort devoted to service projects.

Epsilon Sigma Alpha

Outstanding Student Volunteer Award
Recognizes a student who has made an outstanding contribution to the community and university through service.

Jessica Cerillo

Outstanding Community Partner Award
Recognizes an on-campus or off-campus partner who has helped the Gamecock Pantry take substantial strides to alleviating food insecurity on the University of South Carolina campus.

Habitat for Humanity Transitions Homeless Shelter
Outstanding Gamecock Pantry Partner Award
Recognizes an on-campus or off-campus partner who has helped the Gamecock Pantry take substantial strides to alleviating food insecurity on the University of South Carolina campus.

Margaret Crabtree

Rob and Paige Robertory

Tom Wall

Janine Callahan

Jay Urich
Martin Luther King Social Justice Award
Recognizes individuals who have exemplified the philosophies of Dr. King through random or ongoing acts of community service, social justice or racial reconciliation.
Southeastern Conference Community Service Team

Recognizes student-athletes from each school who give back to their community through superior service efforts.

Cam Tringali, Jr.
Baseball

Kelsey Oh
Softball

David Olds
Men’s Track and Field

Kensi Gray
Women’s Track and Field

Andrew Grespin
Men’s Swimming and Diving

Caroline Spence
Women’s Swimming and Diving

Spencer Eason-Riddle
Football

Phillip Jordan
Men’s Tennis
Kennedy Wicker
Women’s Tennis

Laeticia Amihere
Women’s Basketball

Jack Parrott
Men’s Golf

Alanzo Frink
Men’s Basketball

Kate Bonham
Equestrian

Taylor Fox
Women’s Soccer

Courtney Weber
Volleyball
Graduation with Leadership Distinction in Community Service

The Center for Integrative and Experiential Learning provides students with the opportunity to pursue Graduation with Leadership Distinction in five pathways: Community Service, Diversity and Social Advocacy, Global Learning, Professional and Civic Engagement and Research. The Community Service pathway emphasizes the transformative experience that occurs when students gain real-world experience by working directly with others in service leadership. This year, the following students earned Graduation with Leadership Distinction in Community Service:

McKenzee Chestnut
Maria Como
Jennifer Covington
Hannah Farthing
Kathleen Griffith
Lindsey Hefner
Elizabeth Horne
Averrey Jencka
William Jordan
Chelsea Kuehler
Savannah Lodwick
Kelsey Louthan
Hannah Massar
Allyson McCorry
Morgan McVicker
Lauren Mohler
Mary Morgan
Brynn Peck
Hannah Price
Ashley Rohde
Hannah Williams
Jerryana Williams-Bibiloni
Leslee Yearry
Thank you to the participating offices, programs, and organizations whose service is included in this year’s Annual Report:

A. Bevy Collegiate Group
Alternative Break Trips
Alpha Chi Omega
Alpha Delta Pi
Alpha Gamma Delta
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
Alpha Xi Delta
American Chemical Society Student Chapter
Beta Beta Beta
Capstone Scholars
Captains for Trash
Carolina-Clemson Blood Drive Committee
Chi Omega
Circle K International
Cocky’s Reading Express
Community Service Ambassadors
Dance Marathon
Delta Delta Delta
Delta Phi Omega Sorority Inc.
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Delta Tau Delta
Delta Zeta
Diversity Speaks
Dobson Volunteer Service Program
Epsilon Sigma Alpha
Foundation for International Medical Relief of Children
Galen Health Fellows
Gamecock Pantry
Gamma Phi Beta Sorority
Give a Dog a Bone
Impact Weekly
Kappa Delta Chi Sorority, Inc.
Kappa Delta Sorority
Kappa Kappa Gamma
Library and Information Science Student Association
MedLife
MLK Day of Service
Mutual Aid Midlands
National Association of Black Journalists
Neuroscience Club
Office of Multicultural Student Affairs
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.
Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.
Phi Delta Theta
Phi Gamma Delta (FIJI)
Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
Phi Mu
Pi Beta Phi
Public Health Society
Relay for Life
SAVVY
Service Saturday
Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.
Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity, Inc.
Sigma Phi Epsilon
South Carolina Honors College
Student Community for Archives, Libraries, and Museums
Student Government
Teaching Fellows Association
The Big Event
Theta Chi
University of South Carolina Athletics
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
Thank you to the participating nonprofit organizations who hosted UofSC student volunteers throughout the year:

153 Project Columbia
AC Moore Elementary School
AmeriCorps Upstate
Atria Forest Lake
Babcock Center
Bilingualism Matters
Birthright of Columbia
Bright Horizons at USC
Bon Secours Roper St. Francis
Carolina Wildlife Center
Central South Carolina Habitat for Humanity
Centro de Educacion Basica
Columbia Bethlehem Community Center
Communities In Schools of the Midlands
Congaree Riverkeepers
EZE Farms
Ezekiel Ministries
Final Victory Animal Shelter
FoodCorps
Food Recovery Network
Greenville County Behavioral Health
Habitat for Humanity Restore
Hannah House
Harvest Hope Food Bank
Homeless No More
Junior Achievement
Keep the Midlands Beautiful
Killingsworth Home
Love for the Elderly
Meals on Wheels
Midlands Reading Consortium
National Multiple Sclerosis Foundation
Oliver Gospel Mission
Palmetto Animal Assisted Life Services (PAALS)
Palmetto Conservation Corps
Pawmetto Lifeline
Peace Corps
PETSinc
Prisma Health
ProCare Rehabilitation
Randolph Cemetery
Reading Partners South Carolina
Richland County Recreation Commission
Riverbanks Zoo and Garden

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Ronald McDonald House Charities
Salvation Army of the Midlands
Secure the Ballot
Sexual Trauma Services of the Midlands
South Carolina Autism Society
Special Olympics South Carolina
St. Judes Children Hospital
Sustainable Carolina
Sustainable Midlands
The Cooperative Ministry
The Free Medical Clinic
The Therapy Place
Transitions Homeless Center
W. Gordon Belser Arboretum
Washington St. United Methodist Church