**COMMUNITY SERVICE 101 FIGURING OUT YOUR COMMUNITY SERVICE PURSUITS**

**FROM THE DESK OF THE DEAN**

**FIGURING OUT WHAT YOU WANT TO DO**

**TOPIC 1**

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PERFORMING COMMUNITY SERVICE?

Read on for dozens of community service ideas to help you get started volunteering.

**Why Should You Participate in Community Service?**

There are numerous benefits to participating in community service, both for yourself and others.

**Below are some of the most important benefits of volunteering:**

* Gives you a way to help others
* Helps improve your community
* Can help strengthen your resume and college applications
* Can be a way to meet new friends
* Often results in personal growth
* Gives you a way to gain work experience and learn more about certain jobs

**BELOW IS THE START OF THE JOURNEY TO MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OTHERS LIVES**

**DISCUSSION QUESTION 1**

**Who would you like to help?** Is there a specific group of people or cause you are passionate about? Look for projects that relate to your passion and interests. You may also just want to perform particular community service activities that allow you to do hobbies you enjoy.

**DISCUSSION QUESTION 2**

**Do you want a community service activity that is reoccurring or a one-time event?** Perhaps you don't have enough time to regularly devote to community service. In that case, it may be better to look for opportunities that only occur once or sporadically, such as planning special events or helping build a house.

**DISCUSSION QUESTION 3 – SET UP CALL WITH THE DEAN**

**Please have your questions and assignments available to discuss in a 15-30 minute block.**