The Pellissippi State Service-Learning Program promotes a campus culture of community service and civic engagement through providing education, community service information & placement, and mentoring support for faculty/students doing academic service-learning, tnAchieves scholars, PSCC programs seeking volunteer support, and PSCC students seeking community experiences that support their major.

IMPORTANT STUFF

IMMEDIATE OPENING: Development Department Intern: Second Harvest Food Bank E. TN

Second Harvest Food Bank seeks a semester-long service learning intern in partnership with a local college or university. The proposed unpaid internship should be developed for specific class credit or to meet other school obligations. In 3-9 hours per week, intern will take information about food bank initiatives and create marketing materials for the Second Harvest website, Face-book page, Blog and in the development of collateral material for distribution to specific donors. Contact John Bell: 243-8216. john@secondharvestetn.org

11/06, 11/16, 12/11, 9am-4pm:
Cumberland Trail Rehab
220 Park Road, Caryville, TN 37714. Contact service-learning@pstcc.edu for additional information. Must register to volunteer!

10/19-11/13, 8am-8pm
Discovery Center Renovations
516 South Beaman Street, Knoxville, TN 37914. Volunteers needed for interior and exterior renovations. Contact ekittrell@etdiscovery.org to sign up or ask for details. More opportunities on next page.

Students, Faculty, Staff, and the Million Dollar Challenge

THE NUMBERS ARE IN!
2012-2013 Academic Year

More than 2,400 Pellissippi State students contributed more than 20,900 hours of community service alongside Pellissippi State faculty and staff during the 2012-2013 academic year to generate an astounding $456,347.97 economic impact in the Knoxville area.

Pellissippi State Students, faculty, and staff participate in the MLK Day Parade to honor Dr. Martin Luther King’s legacy and spread awareness regarding the Civil Rights Movement.

Last year, hundreds of Pellissippi volunteers helped sort thousands of lbs. of cereal and canned food for distribution to low income families in East Tennessee at Second Harvest Food Bank.

ON OUR WAY UP!
2013-2014 Academic Year Challenge

Are you committed to serving your community? Are you currently involved in or interested in community service? Help top last academic year’s numbers by registering and reporting completed service hours with Pellissippi State ServiceCorps! Don’t be left out when it comes to recognition for your efforts. Visit our website to find out more!
http://www.pstcc.edu/service-learning/servicecorps/index.php

Pellissippi State Service-Learning
Fall 2013 First-Glance Stats!

- Over 1,300 students currently registered doing community service.
- Over 90 Community Partners
- First standalone Service-Learning course with a focus on poverty alleviation in our local area—SERV2410—with two more sections forthcoming.
- 1,250% increase in Service-Learning participation
- Projected minimum number of student service hours for Fall—10,400.
- Projected minimum economic impact for this semester—$230,256.00

Please contact service-learning@pstcc.edu for details.
IMPORTANT DATES

11/09 & 11/16, 10am-4pm
Edible Schoolyard Work Days
Pond Gap Elementary School is hosting community garden work days. Contact macallo@pstcc.edu to sign up or ask for details.

10/23, 5:30pm-7:30pm
Knoxville Opera Dress Rehearsal
Staff the entrance to the Tennessee Theater as patrons at the dress rehearsal the Wednesday before opening night! Contact ajgray@pstcc.edu to sign up or ask for details.

10/26, 9am-Noon
Malcolm Martin Park Beautification Effort!
Help the Knoxville C.A.C. beautify the Malcolm Martin Park before festivities begin! Contact matthew.koenig@knoxcac.org to sign up or ask for details.

10/26, 1pm-7pm
Garden Festival With Beardsley Farm
Volunteers needed to staff festival booths from face painting to exhibits! Contact beardsley-farm@gmail.com to sign up or ask for details.

11/06, 1pm-7pm
Pellissippi State Volunteer Day at Beardsley Farm
Volunteer with other Pellissippi State students by working in a community garden. Contact service-learning@pstcc.edu to sign up or ask for details.

Keep tabs on upcoming volunteer opportunities by visiting our calendar at http://www.pstcc.edu/service-learning/

Pellissippi State Recognizes The Value Of Altruism

THE BENEFITS OF SERVING

Awards and Recognition
Reporting your completed service hours:
- prints your community service hours on your transcripts to show future employers.
- makes you eligible to receive a medallion to wear at commencement beginning May 2014 if you complete 60 or more community service hours.
- allows participation in the Service Expo for opportunities to win cash prizes. Includes fall & spring service endeavors! Contact service-learning@pstcc.edu for additional details.

Service-Learning With A Forge!
After noticing a need for signage at Beardsley Community Farm, Professor Mike Rose turned the need into an opportunity to serve a nonprofit while providing a relevant and lasting experience for his blacksmithing students. His students will be able to show their work for years and say, “I helped make that!”

Marketing & Advertising Classes Get Real World Experience
Lisa Bogaty’s ADV2500 and MKT2270 classes aren’t just learning in the classroom. They’re gaining hands-on experience in collaboration with the League of Women Voters. If you haven’t seen or spoken to them on campus, you haven’t been coming to class. Hundreds of Pellissippi State students registered to vote and learned about the identities and ideologies of public officials through their efforts.

FOSTERING PARTNERSHIPS

Grassroots Collaboration at Pond Gap
Pond Gap Elementary School, the UTK-assisted after school program, and Pellissippi State Service-Learning join together to establish a community garden that aids families in an impoverished inner-city area, teaches children about health and sustainable living practices, provides hands-on opportunities to reinforce topics learned in class, and creates a constant service opportunity for Pellissippi State students, faculty, and staff looking to gain or give experience related to course learning outcomes.

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Spotlights on Service

ALTERNATIVE FALL BREAK
Clean Sweep at Division Street!

Sixteen students from differing campuses put on their cleaning clothes during Fall Break to lend their elbow grease and muscles for several projects requested by Dean Esther Dyer at Division Street Campus. The crew engaged in impressive service to the college and managed to wrap things up two hours early on Tuesday.

CALL TO SERVICE
Volunteer Resource Fairs

Four Pellissippi State campuses held Call-2-Service/Volunteer Resource Fairs during the month of September. The fairs provide opportunities for students, faculty, and staff to make connections with Community Partners in relation to fields of study in addition to creating a location for our Community Partners to collaborate and build resources. Students learn about the needs in our community and how they can help alleviate economic, social, and/or environmental hardships.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT WEEK:
Veterans and Military Families

This year’s Civic Engagement Week concentrated on spreading awareness regarding obstacles faced during reintegration by veterans and military families. Guest speakers included Vietnam Veteran Caesar Stair, III, Vietnam Veteran and United States Citizens Aiding Veterans President Clyde Luttrell, and peacetime veteran and anatomy professor, Dr. Ron Bridges. Dozens of students filled in a Wall of Appreciation with note cards sharing the things in life for which they are thankful—several paying tribute to service men and women. Veterans of Ben Atchley joined us on campus along with H.A.B.I.T. and Smoky Mountain Service Dogs. Professor Bill Brewer surprised and delighted event attendees with a performance from the Pellissippi State Ensemble Choir. Several Pellissippi State students and staff volunteered at the Knoxville Area Veterans Stand-Down to feed, clothe, and provide resources to more than 200 homeless veterans. The events on Pellissippi State Campuses resulted in news coverage on WBIR Channel 10’s Service and Sacrifice segment.

Contact service-learning@pstcc.edu to find out how to help with the following needs of Community Partners.

Crossroads Ministries: Help renovate a hotel in Oak Ridge to shelter young, single parents as they pursue their education, workforce development, and stability.

Appalachian Bear Rescue: Tackle a variety of tasks to help out this nonprofit in Townsend.

Edible Schoolyard Project: Educate children about gardening, healthy living practices, and more through fun games and activities.

Knoxville CLO: Mentor disadvantaged youth in afterschool programs across Knoxville.

Morning Pointe: Aid with clerical work or interact with clients at Morning Pointe Assisted Living locations in Lenoir City and Clinton.

Contact service-learning@pstcc.edu for poster requirements and additional information.