Welcome to the second edition of College of Community and Public Service Engaged Newsletter. We would like to celebrate the successes of our college from last semester. Some of the events there were held throughout the units were Michigan Cares for Tourism, The Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program, Voice GR, workshop on Human Trafficking Strategies, A Pew Faculty Teaching and Learning Center Teaching Circle, STAR program, and Michigan Sobriety Court/ Ignition Interlock Evaluation Project.

We would like to continue recognizing the wonderful team that we have that are dedicated to helping the students succeed in their careers and improve our community. Please let us know if there are other success stories that involve engagement through teaching, scholarship, and service we would love to share them.

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"Although the wording may vary, community engagement already saturates the missions, visions, and values of each of our units and programs. It is not something concocted to create a marketable brand identity, or to please internal or external stakeholders. It is organic to who we are and it has been since the inception of CCPS."

Dean George Grant Jr.
Faculty Spotlights

Thank you for your dedication and hard work! We really appreciate all the work that you do for Grand Valley State University and CCPS. Below are the 2015/16 Academic Year Service Recognition Recipients.

20 Year Service Award Recipients:

- Richard Jelier - School of Public, Nonprofit and Health Administration
- Kristine Mullendore - School of Criminal Justice
- Joanne Ziembo-Vogl - School of Criminal Justice

10 Year Service Award Recipients:

- Scott Berlin - School of Social Work
- Scott Rood - Hospitality and Tourism Management
- Lisa Sisson - Hospitality and Tourism Management
- Steve Smith - School of Social Work
Student Spotlight

CCPS Laker Effect

Through our work in promoting CCPS through Institutional Marketing, three CCPS students have recently been featured in the new 'Laker Effect' campaign. Click on the videos below the images to see how they are using their GVSU education to engage.

Watch Caylie Peet's Video
Watch Jessica MacVane's Video
Watch Caden Beals' Video
Engaged Service: Dorothy A. Johnson Center for Philanthropy

#GivingTuesday

According to their website: “#GivingTuesday is a global day of giving fueled by the power of social media and collaboration. Observed on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving (in the U.S.) and the widely recognized shopping events Black Friday and Cyber Monday, #GivingTuesday kicks off the charitable season, when many focus on their holiday and end-of-year giving. Since its inaugural year in 2012, #GivingTuesday has become a movement that celebrates and supports giving and philanthropy with events throughout the year and a growing catalog of resources.”

Now in its fourth year, #GivingTuesday has roots in CCPS as our Dorothy A. Johnson Center for Philanthropy was a founding partner.

Last year, The Johnson Center team gave back in a number of ways including their time, talent and treasure to help organize donations, food drives and consulting work with Organization HQ and Giving Closet.

For more information on #GivingTuesday click here
Engaged Scholarship: School of Criminal Justice

Juvenile Justice Vision 20/20 Human Trafficking Conference

In recent years, the topic of human trafficking has received increased attention from the public and professional communities. There is growing awareness that human trafficking is not just an international issue, but also occurs within the United States. In addition, there is new recognition that human trafficking victims include some of society’s most vulnerable populations, including juveniles, many of whom are runaways, homeless, and child welfare and juvenile justice system-involved.

With heightened awareness that certain youth in the juvenile population are at risk for being trafficked, there is growing recognition of the need to train the professional community most likely to come into contact with such youth, including juvenile justice system personnel, concerning human trafficking identification, referral, and social service provision best practices.

Last fall, Juvenile Justice 20/20 (in collaboration with our School of Criminal Justice) hosted a human trafficking training event at our Pew Campus. Sharing insights to the most recent research in the field, the event drew a record number of attendees that included community members, students, faculty, criminal and juvenile justice system practitioners, social workers, and victim service providers. The training event was comprised of national and local human trafficking experts who presented information on a variety of topics.

For more information on Juvenile Justice 20/20 click here
Late last year, our School of Social Work faculty and students planned and hosted a Teach-In entitled: “Social Work in the 21st Century: Does Race Matter?” This event was attended by over 600 students, faculty, and community members. The daylong experience included speakers, panels, workshops and a theatrical presentation.

The Teach-In engaged participants in an open and honest discussion around three overarching themes. The first theme, “What does Race Mean in the United States of America?”, addressed various topics such as the idea of a post-racial society, the hyphenated America, white privilege and other topics. The second theme, “Lip Service to Action”, called upon participants to reflect on social work values and the profession’s commitment to social justice. The third theme, “Steps and Directions”, provided an invitation to attendees to engage in a dialogue with the goal of developing possible steps, directions, and actions to create a more inclusive and just community, for all.

It is their hope that this ‘Teach-In’ was the first of a number of events in which the School of Social Work team will engage with the University and Community to address critical topics regarding social justice, equity, and fairness.
WGVU-CCPS Community Connections

In support of our efforts to spread the word about all the great engagement work done in CCPS, we now have a regular feature on the WGVU Shelley Irwin Morning Show. On the first Monday of every month faculty and staff have an opportunity to share their engagement stories on NPR. To date, we have had successful engaged college interviews from Associate Dean Paul Stansbie, Billy Wallace in the School of Criminal Justice, & Pricilla Kimboko in the School of Public and Nonprofit and Health Administration.

Got a good story to share? Contact us at ccpsdean@gvsu.edu
Upcoming Events:


E-Learning Session #4 Panel Discussion: April 1, 2016