



**WHITWORTH**  
 Dornsife Center  
 for Community Engagement

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# Community Partner Service-Learning Agreement

Service-Learning is a teaching approach integrating academic instruction with community service that engages students in civic responsibility, critical and creative thinking and structured reflection.

**Organization Expectations:**

1. The agency will comply with the federal and state nondiscrimination standards regarding the availability of services and will apply these same principles to the selection and utilization of service-learning students.
2. The agency will provide a safe environment for service-learning student to work.
3. The agency will designate an adequately trained contact person to place and manage service-learning students referred from Whitworth University.
4. The agency will not require monetary compensation or reimbursement from service-learning students for expenses incurred as part of the assigned activity.
5. The agency agrees to provide service-learning students with an orientation, including safety training identical to that of any agency employee, information on the agency’s history and mission, adequate training to complete the assigned activity, and any additional information necessary for service-learning students to capably serve the agency and its clientele.
6. The agency verifies that it has volunteer liability insurance, or insurance to protect service-learning students in case of injury while completing the assigned activity on site.

**Whitworth University Expectations:**

1. To the best of its ability, Whitworth’s Dornsife Center for Community Engagement (hereafter “the Center”) will recruit service-learning students to assist the agency in meeting its needs and fulfilling its mission.
2. The Center agrees to serve as a liaison between service-learning students and the agency during the volunteer experience.
3. The Center will work with the agency and service-learning students to ensure a mutually beneficial experience, especially as challenges arise.
4. The Center agrees to orient students to the concept of service-learning, including student personal safety, informed consent about risks and benefits, tips for success and the importance of observing confidentiality and building rapport.
5. The Center will provide students with agency contact information and a brief project description, as well as ensure a student learning agreement outlining course objectives and volunteer duties is completed and provided to the agency.

**Other Terms and Conditions of Use:**

The agency reserves the right to refuse volunteer opportunities to potential volunteers who act in ways contrary to the spirit of volunteerism and/or the mission and values of the agency.

By signing below you attest that your agency understands and meets the eligibility requirements.


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 AGENCY NAME

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 AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE /TITLE

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 SIGNATURE

Dornsife Center for Community Engagement  
 WHITWORTH UNIVERSITY OFFICE

- “Ross” Brooke Watts – Director -  
 UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVE/TITLE

  
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