

Jumpstart 2012 On Campus Service Experiences (no particular order)**UPDATED: August 20, 2012**

Project	# of Seats	Location	Description
Midwest Relief Effort <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flood Buckets • Health Kits 	160	Wesley Church	The Midwest Mission Distribution Center is a disaster relief facility dedicated to aiding those within the country and outside with relief efforts. It is the purpose of Midwest Relief to help provide disaster relief kits and resources as well as educational and medical supplies to those in need both locally and internationally. There are a wide variety of kits meant to serve many different purposes. The kits we are specifically making will be geared toward flood relief as well as hygiene support. Midwest Relief has distributed kits in many different geographical regions including: Romania, Nigeria, Tanzania, Vietnam, and South Dakota, Tennessee, and Indiana. Volunteers will help to prepare and organize the items to go in these kits. We are hoping to make over 400 kits this year!
Senior Savvy: Support our Seniors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peacemeal Cups • Nursing Home Cards • Stress balls • Sun Catchers • Flower center pieces 	200	Mattoon (72), Charleston (64), Effingham (60), Casey (24)	Senior citizens are the fastest growing population in the U.S. The typical profile of what a senior looks like is also changing. Seniors are more active, more connected to technology, and enjoy continuing to learn and experience new things! Volunteers will be making items which will be helpful for physical therapy exercises, decorations, and giving a general greeting. These projects are a great way to connect and give back to those who gave to us. Volunteers will help with a wide variety of projects geared toward helping and connecting with the older adult population. Projects include: making nursing home cards, stress balls, sun catchers, and coffee to go cups.
Kid Power: Support Youth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pocket Games • Friendship Bracelets • Key Chains • Hospital Cards • Decorate Folders • School Supply Kits 	200	Sullivan (27), Shelbyville (20), Arcola (51), Paris (28), Tuscola (40), Martinsville (52)	Donating your energy and enthusiasm to children is a great way to spend your time. Volunteers will help with a wide variety of projects geared toward helping and inspiring kids. Projects include: pocket games, friendship bracelets, school supply kits, inspirational folders, key chains, and creating children's hospital cards. These different projects will help kids in all different situations. Help all kids in only a few hours!

Green Wins: Environmental Support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bird Feeders • Cheerio Feeders • Pine Cone Feeders 	110	Vending Lounge (100 as is)	<p>The environment is important to all of us. It is what we breath, drink, eat, and survive in. When the environment suffers, so do we. Working towards decreasing your carbon footprint is very important to mother earth. Take that additional step and donate your time to help the environment. Volunteers will be helping local woodland creatures through a variety of projects including: building bird houses, pine cone feeders, and cheerio feeders. The completed projects will be displayed at the Douglas Hart Nature Center (a local nature preserve and educational site). Take a few hours today and give nature a helping hand! **NOTE: Peanut butter will be used for this project.**</p>
Warm Support 2.0 – Crisis Support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fleece Blankets • Fleece Pillows • Fleece Scarves • PADS Kits 	220	Grand ballroom (250 pending set up)	<p>To feel warm and safe is such an important value! For many in our community, this is not always the case. To be in a crisis means to be in a situation of intense difficulty or danger. When in a crisis, people struggle to focus on and secure even the most basic needs. This is where you can step in. Volunteers will be needed to help with creating items for HOPE (a local domestic violence shelter) and PADS (a local homeless shelter). Project creations include: fleece blankets, fleece pillows, fleece scarves, and hygiene kits. Give your time and help those in crisis.</p>
Veteran Support! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VA Cards 	120	7 th St. Underground (120 as is)	<p>Awareness is the first step to helping a cause. Knowledge is power, and volunteers will help create this power. Volunteers will be focusing on outreach and awareness efforts for various causes. Additionally, we will be creating “thank you” cards for our local veterans. Shown your awareness to their service! Projects in this area will include making veteran’s cards for the local VA hospital and making awareness ribbons for various days.</p>
Raise your Paws: Animal Support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fleece Mice • Animal Toys • Dog Bowls • Animal Mats 	150	University Ball Room (150 pending set up)	<p>Who doesn’t love a cute kitten or clumsy puppy? If you are an animal lover, then this project is for you! Pets bring a great joy to many pet owners. Volunteers for this project will create a series of “welcome” toys for new pet owners. You will help bring joy for a new home and a great pet! Projects will include: fleece mice, new owner welcome packages, and cat toys.</p>