

Governors State University
Student Affairs and Enrollment Management: Reaching Vision 2020

Focus Area: Civic Engagement & Community Service

Leader(s): Dr. Robert Clay

Implementation Year: 2019-2020

Goal 4: Create, implement and assess civic engagement and community service opportunities for students to develop awareness and understanding of civic learning and democratic engagement through understanding of societal issues.

Objective 1:	Develop programs to enrich awareness and participation in civic engagement and community service initiatives on and off campus.
Action Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create volunteer opportunities for the students. • Increase faculty participation in service initiatives • Identify community service partnerships within the community. • Continue programs such as Hunger and Homelessness Week, 9/11 and ASB
Indicators and Data Needed (Measures that will appraise progress towards the strategic objective)	Develop survey to measure the expected v. actual participation Leadership development opportunities Pre and Post Surveys Staff observations Focus Groups
Responsible Person and/or Unit (Data collection, analysis reporting)	Coordinator, Civic Engagement & Intercultural Education
Milestones (Identify Timelines)	Review data collected year to year to measure student participation. Focus groups with students. (Level of involvement and exposure to activities) Assess faculty involvement in supporting community service.
Desired Outcomes and Achievements (Identify results expected)	Create awareness of safe on campus resources, which will allow students to take advantage of on-campus assistance through GSU4U. Engagement of Faculty and Students to assist students in need. Lower the rate of students dropping out due to hunger and/or homelessness.
Achieved Outcomes and Results	Hired full time personnel to manage civic engagement efforts, Established a comprehensive food pantry to address student food insecurities in collaboration with other GSU4U efforts. Developed partnership with FaithMovers Church of University Park to support needs of students and community members through faculty engagement Hosted Hunger and Homelessness Week with over 10 programs being offered
Analysis of Results (Where outcomes met? Exceeded?)	The outcomes this year were met and exceeded expectations with limited personnel and resources. Thanks to our partnership with Northern Illinois Foodbank and funding from Will County Trust Foundation to aid in minimizing students withdrawing due to food insecurities. COVID-19 did

Progress towards goal.)	impact some of the further programming endeavors. However, they will be reviewed for the upcoming academic year.
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