

Helping people.



**UMSL** 2018

## Month of Community Giving



2018 Month of Community Giving could not have been a success without you. Together we raised over \$50,000! Check here to see if you're an incentive prize winner!

## **Student Philanthropy**

The *Month of Community Giving* has come to an end, but its impact was substantial. Here are a few examples:

- O Zeta Tau Alpha raised over \$2000 to benefit breast cancer education and awareness with their Tator Tot Bar, Washer's Tournament, and Chili Cookoff.
- The UMSL Softball Team had 19 students volunteer at the Autism walk and Chefs in the Garden event at Flynn Park Elementary.
- o 54 units of blood were donated at the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Drive.
- Triton Mobile Pantry had 50 volunteers for 100 total hours. Donations of 4,400 pounds of food went to 170 students, 10 employees, and 25 community members for a total of 205 people.
- The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Trunk-or-Treat had 365 children in attendance with 117 volunteers and 25 organizations participating.

## **Keep Giving**

Giving doesn't stop with October. With the winter season fast approaching, our community will be in need. How can you help?

- #GIVINGTUESDAY is November 27, 2018. A donation of \$25 to Triton Pantry can provide a month's worth of supplemental food for one student. \$300 provides for the whole year. Make your donation here.
  - o UMSL's November Mobile Pantry will be held Friday November 30, 2018. Sign up to help here.
- o Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center will hold their first blood drive of the new year January 31, 2018. Secure your donation time here.
- All of November the Recreation and Wellness Center will be trading food donations for guest passes. Bring in 4 items of canned tuna/chicken, cereal, and packaged toilet paper to receive up to 2 guest passes.

## Honors helping Angels Arms – Pierre Laclede Honors College Student Association

In writing this newsletter each week of October, I got the privilege of being a part of many student philanthropy efforts. The one that stood out the most for me was making dinner for an Angels Arms family. The Pierre Laclede Honors College Student Association picks one charity each year to support and this year they chose Angels Arms. Each month they use their own resources to make dinner for a foster family in need. For the holiday season PLHCSA will also adopt a family to purchase gifts for and make their holiday a little bit brighter.

"I think it is really important to give back to the community. It is so nice to know that even though we are doing something so small, it makes a difference in these families' lives and they appreciate it so much."

- Danielle, PLHCSA Service Chair Officer

One important goal of the Pierre Laclede Honors College Student Association is to apply for a grant from United Way that will help support their efforts to impact the community.

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