



1818 Community Engagement Grant Award Winners 2021-2022 Cycle



Project Title:	Campus and Community Partner(s):	Description:
Community Connections Starts with Little Ones	SLU Physical Therapy Students Association, SLU Athletic Training Society, SLU Dietetic Association; Unleashing Potential	Inspires early childhood and elementary school students to learn more about the allied health professions and to promote the health and well-being of the St. Louis population.
Ethics and Practice of Community Mental Health Care	SLU Healthcare Ethics; Independence Center	Service-learning course that allows SLU students an opportunity to learn from and engage in reciprocal mentoring with members of Independence Center's Clubhouse, a model of psychosocial rehabilitation for those with mental disabilities.
Family Essentials Resource Initiative	SLU Social Work Association; Lift for Life Academy	Partnership that provides Lift For Life families with the essential resources they experience barriers to accessing, supporting family wellbeing and their children's education.
Flace's Outdoor Classroom	SLU Criminology and Criminal Justice Club; Flance Early Learning Center	Transformation of an outdoor play space into an outdoor learning space that is more attractive to educators and children, encouraging them to explore familiar topics in a new setting.
Global Brigades, Local Volunteer	SLU Global Brigades; LifeWise STL	Assembly of first aid kits, COVID protective equipment, and other program supplies to deliver to families in need being served by LifeWise STL.
Healthy & Accessible Cooking on a Budget	SLU Nutrition and Dietetics and Spanish Departments; Immigrant Services Providers Network, LifeWise STL and the Thomas Dunn Learning Center	Delivers a series of interactive cooking classes to immigrant and refugee families using the "Healthy for Life" resources provided by the American Heart Association.
Med-U-Cation	SLU School of Medicine; Boys and Girls Club of Greater St. Louis	Physicians and healthcare staff will visit low-income high schools to discuss their role as professionals, and provide advice, mentoring, and information on pursuing health careers.
Mother Encouragement Program	Mother's Helping Hand; Birthright STL	Addresses mental health disparities among new mothers in St. Louis, specifically perinatal and postpartum depression.
No-cost Pregnancy and At-home HIV Testing Initiative	St. Louis City Department of Health	To address the 18% increase in HIV cases in St. Louis from 2015 to 2019, this project provides at-home pregnancy and HIV tests to low-income individuals, coupled with educational awareness.



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Parks on the Move! - Enhancing K-12 STEM Education with Drones	SLU AirCRAFT Lab; Regional Business Council, Black Girls Do STEM and the St. Louis Science Center	Introduce youth grades K-12 at local schools and community centers to STEM education through the use of small quadcopter drones.
Pregnancy Resource - St. Louis	SLU Students for Life; Thrive St. Louis Express Women's Healthcare	Facilitate the offering of pregnancy services to low-income communities within the St. Louis area through volunteering and fundraising.
Project Downtown Mental Health Awareness Day	SLU Muslim, Pakistani and Middle-Eastern Student Associations; Project Downtown	Day of events for local St. Louis communities centered around mental health, with a focus on anxiety, depression, bipolar disorder, and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).
Putting the Care in Healthcare: Providing Psychosocial Support	StudentsCare SLU; Mary Ryder Home, World Pediatric Project and Ronald McDonald House	Create comfort and support for senior citizens in St. Louis, as well as mentorship for children from Central America and the Caribbean being treated at St. Louis area hospitals.
Science for and With the Community	SLU School of Education, SLU Water Institute; Circle of Excellence and Ubuntu Village	Program that encourages youth to consider science as a tool to address community challenges and suffering, with a particular focus on climate change action and accountability.
SLU Mental Wellness Fair	Better Family Life	Brings mental wellness into local middle and high schools, with a focus on education around common psychiatric issues, addressing stigma, and offering insight on wellness techniques.
St. Louis Medical Respite	SLU Winter Emergency Shelter and St. Francis College Church; St. Louis Winter Outreach and Tent Mission STL	Provides space where people experiencing houselessness can properly heal before being put back in unhygienic settings in shelters and on the streets.
Students for Refugees	SLU chapters of: Tri-Beta, AED, Greatest Gift, Strides 4 Kids, Hindu Student Community and the Micah Program; Christian Friends of New Americans	Provides support and resources to refugees, both recently arrived and those yet to arrive, affected by the humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan.
The Closet	SLU Rainbow Alliance; MTUG (Metro Trans Umbrella Group)	Continuation of the student-founded and student-run resource center that provides free gender-affirming equipment/clothing.