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-CATHERINE MCAULEY



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Opportunities

December

Sunday, Dec. 5th: Maher Center Tree Event | 9:30am-1:00pm

Thursday, Dec. 9th: Bike Newport Bike Cleaning | 1:30pm-4:30pm

Friday, Dec. 17th: Salvation Army Bell Ringing | 12 noon-2:00pm

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Saturday, Dec. 18th: Salvation Army Bell Ringing | 12 noon-2:00pm

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Ongoing Opportunities!!!

On Call: Snow Shoveling Volunteers

Volunteers who have shovels and their own cars, are needed to be on call for shoveling local areas on the Island. Once it snows, volunteers will be notified by email or phone call with the locations to shovel.

Housing Hotline: Crafty Crochet Volunteers

Volunteers who know how to crochet or are willing to learn are needed weekly on Wednesdays from 1:00-2:00 p.m. to help make small stuffed animals for children in need. If you are interested or would like more details, please contact Olivia McGowan by email:

olivia.mcgowan@salve.edu

FabNewport Art Volunteers

Reliable and responsible volunteers with their own cars are needed for FabNewport's weekly Art Program beginning the fall. Volunteers who are interested and want to learn more details should reach out to Orlando Peace orlando@fabnewport.org

Scan this QR code to learn more details and to sign up for any of these amazing service opportunities today!



A poster for snow shoveling volunteers. It features a blue and white color scheme with snowflake patterns. The text reads: "Come Volunteer!!", "On Call: Snow Shoveling", and "Volunteers who have shovels and have their own cars, are needed to be on call for shoveling local areas on the Island. Once it snows, volunteers will be notified by email or phone call with the locations to shovel." The poster includes the Salve Regina University logo, a thermometer icon, and a shovel icon. At the bottom, it lists contact information: "Feinstein Enriching America Program, Center for Community Engagement and Service, Geny 201 • (401) 341-2440 • Community Services@salve.edu, Facebook.com/SalveCommunityService • Instagram: SalveService • Twitter: @SalveService".

Spring Break Service Immersion-Apply Today!

Dear Volunteers,

Have you ever wanted to volunteer in the community but can't seem to find the time or the right opportunity? What if you could do that among old and new friends alike? Join us for the Spring Break Service Immersion from March 11-15th 2022. This is an opportunity for students to give up a portion of their break to volunteer in and around Rhode Island completing community service. Students will remain on campus, all food and transportation will be provided.

Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Cost is \$25 (payment taken at time of application). Registration will remain open until February 25th, or until all spots are filled.

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For more information & to apply scan the QR Code:
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Service Plunge 2.0 Facilitator-Apply Today!

Dear Volunteers,

Applications are now open for Service Plunge Facilitators for the Spring Semester. This is a great opportunity to get to know new people on campus and throughout our local communities. If interested in taking on a short-term leadership role on campus for the following Spring 2022 semester weekend, please consider applying today by using the link here!



Apply to be a
SERVICE PLUNGE 2.0 FACILITATOR

A group photo of approximately 20 people, mostly young adults, posing outdoors in a grassy field with trees in the background. They are dressed in casual attire, some wearing red shirts.

Applications open November 24
Applications close December 13th at NOON.
Save the Date: Service Plunge 2.0 April 8-10, 2022!

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The logo for Salve Regina University, featuring a stylized 'S' and 'R' inside a circle with the text 'SALVE REGINA UNIVERSITY' around it.

Do you have jackets?

NEWPORT HOUSING HOTLINE COLLECTION

Lightly used or new jackets (preferably winter coats) of all sizes are needed to help clothe individuals throughout Newport who do not have a winter coat or have the financial means to purchase one for themselves or even for their children and immediate families. If anyone has an old winter coat, or an extra that you do not use anymore please consider donating it to someone in need. It will also help you make a little extra room in your closet for something new this holiday season.

FACTS Worth Knowing:

1. 1 in 6 households in Rhode Island struggle with adequate food affordability
2. 15.1 million pounds of food was donated to the Food Bank

For more info visit here



JACKETS NEEDED

Newport Housing Hotline is looking for Children's jackets and Men's jackets this winter season. All sizes are welcomed!

Donations can be dropped off to Gerety 201

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Angel Tree 2021



**DAYS UNTIL
CHRISTMAS !!!!**

THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR IS HERE!

The Angel Tree has officially started and we're super excited!!!

Students and staff are encouraged to select a tag(s) off of any one of our 8 trees, that are located throughout campus. Kindly purchase the designated items and return unwrapped to Gerety 201 by December 20th at noontime.



Angel Tree Drive 2021

This holiday season, Salve Regina University's Center for Community Engagement and Service along with SAAC will coordinate the annual Angel Tree Gift Drive.

HOW TO DONATE:
Online with our QR code and the elves will shop for you
Take a tag off the trees and deliver it to the Center
Ship a gift directly to the Center

This year, our drive will support: Child and Family Services; MLK Center, Conexion Latina Newport, Rogers Closet, Potter League for Animals, Newport YMCA After School Program, Tashirat Orphanage in Morelos, Mexico, Newport Housing Hotline, Newport Community School, Mustard Seed Communities and the Salvation Army in Newport.

**EACH TAG HAS A VARIETY OF WAYS TO DONATE GIFTS
IN PERSON OR VIRTUALLY!
SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO DONATE VIRTUALLY!
ALL GIFTS ARE DUE BEFORE NOON ON
MONDAY, DECEMBER 20 TO GERETY 201**



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Salve's After-School

The Center for Community Engagement and Service is partnering with the national volunteer service program, AmeriCorps VISTA to create three part time AmeriCorp positions on Salve's campus. Salve alum and Coordinator for Service Leadership and Community Engagement, Kaitlyn Brilhante in addition to students from the class of 2023, Emily Gibson and Eric Peck are excited to be Salve's AmeriCorp members for the 2021-2022 academic year.

Nationally, AmeriCorp members work with nonprofit organizations and public agencies to create change within their local communities. Throughout this academic year, Salve's VISTA members will be partnering with the local Thompson Middle School to focus on sharing Salve's



resources and talents to provide a safe, engaging, and educational after school program for 5th grade students within the Newport Community School District.

"Sammy's Afterschool Program", formerly referred to as the Thompson After-School Program, provides local middle schoolers with the opportunity to visit the Salve Regina University campus and interact with college students while completing projects and engaging in a wide variety of activities. The program is designed to help encourage higher education learning and professional career success. In just three months, the program has welcomed 23 bright and talented middle school students to the campus and it maintains a 96% retention rate.

Sammy's After-School Program runs weekly on Mondays and Wednesdays in the Center for Community Engagement and Service on Salve's campus. The program is following the Project Citizen model, under AmeriCorps which is a civic education program for students and young adults that encourages individuals to learn about how to monitor and influence public policy. The curriculum thus far is encouraging participants to work together to identify and study a public policy

issue, the Environment and School Nutrition. Participants are actively learning many sustainable habits in the hopes of promoting better lifestyles regardless of living situations both at school and in at-home environments. Student participants are learning about the importance of maintaining a healthy and balanced diet using the MyPlate model, about the importance of plants, crops and taking care of the Earth. Thus far, the 5th grade participants have been able to grow their own gardens and are learning about the time and effort that goes into growing healthy crops, that feed individuals, clean the air, and help the environment, while closely aligning with the Critical Concern of Earth.

A goal for Sammy's After-School Enrichment Program is to help Thompson 5th graders build upon their leadership and team building skills. As aforementioned, the program includes fun weekly interactive activities, STEM activities, and group projects which altogether are providing insight to the participants on what it means to be a leader. An array of activities conducted across campus are a unique opportunity for students to experience and explore all that Salve has to offer in hopes of instilling in them that sense of importance for continued higher education beyond Middle and High School. Hence, this program is aiming to guide students on how to become positive leaders within their communities as they are gaining an understanding of how critically important each of their perspectives are in terms of cultivating positive change. Our AmeriCorps Vista Members help guide them along the way.



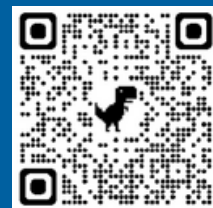
Kaitlyn, is a 5 year MBA grad student majoring in Business Administration with a Cybersecurity Issues & Intelligence Concentration. She is very active in the Center for Community Engagement and Service as she enjoys giving back to the community through an array of service projects. Kaitlyn particularly finds the program rewarding because it brings forth different children with different perspectives, ideas, and abilities into a space where they can all feel welcome to

share their skills with each other and most importantly feel safe. Kaitlyn hopes that the program will allow her to encourage students to explore and take advantage of a plethora of opportunities available to them at Salve and in Newport. Kaitlyn finds that, "It is important for the children to realize that they can simultaneously seek personal growth and academic enjoyment through a fulfilling after school program like ours."

Emily, a member of the class of 2023 is a Special and Elementary Education major on Campus. She is excited to be a part of this program as it aligns perfectly with her major and allows her to work with students which she loves. Emily especially loves that Thompson students get to come to Salve's campus for the program and states "The special thing about this program is the location as participants get the opportunity to spend time on Salve Regina's beautiful campus. These students get to see a college campus and interact with college students at such a young age which are wonderful experiences. My hope is that our participants begin to envision themselves at a University in the future and that their experiences in this program stick with them so that they are more inspired to seek higher education in the future."

Eric is on the path to a five year masters in Homeland Security and his majors include Administration of Justice and Philosophy. He enjoys the program because he believes it fosters healthy relationships and provides a safe, fun, and meaningful use of children's time afterschool. He states "After school programs significantly improve children's performance in school and their wellbeing at home and for that reason, I am thrilled to be a part of the Thompson Program." Eric is also excited that this year's Vistas are working to build up a program that can easily be expanded and carried out years after the current leadership has graduated.

**To learn more about
the VISTA program,
visit the AmeriCorps
website here**



If any club, organization, sports team, or Academic department would like to know how they can partner with our AmeriCorps Visa team members to work on a project or simply teach our Thompson students something for an hour or two, on one of our meeting days, please reach out to Kaitlyn Brilhante at kaitlyn.brilhante@salve.edu to coordinate such an opportunity.

SAMMY'S AFTER-SCHOOL

"Helping out with the Thompson after school program has been a really fun and rewarding escape from the stress of college life."
-Mia Farley '25

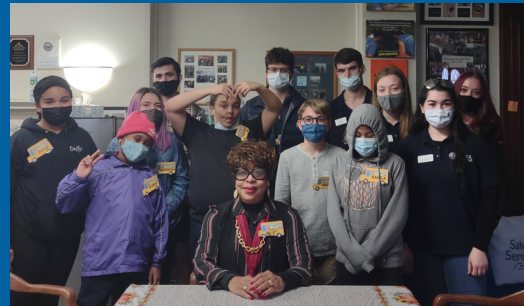
"I learned new skills and will remember them through life."
-Sam Richard'25

"Volunteering with Thompson After-school program has given me the opportunity to connect with the students in a way that showed me the true meaning of why this program began in the first place, and how significant it is to learn and know about others."
-Alexandra Neeve-Newsome '25

"I had a great time getting to know all of the children and helping them out."
-George Connors '25

"Volunteering at this program has been a rewarding experience that I've really enjoyed!"
-Grace Gilman '25

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Service Advocate Reminder

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Have you recently attended, or even hosted a service opportunity at Salve or on Aquidneck Island? If so, we want to highlight and share your service experience with the rest of the Salve community.

Please feel free to reach out to...

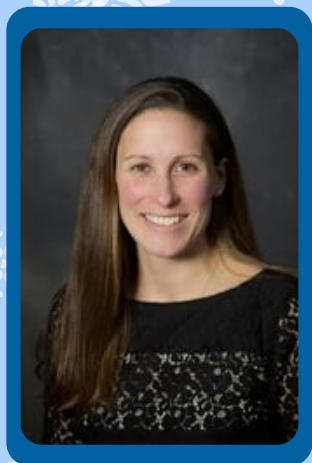
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...so that you can be featured on one of our next posts!

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