

# Stockton to Extend MLK Day of Service to Woodbine, AC, Manahawkin, Hammonton

All Stockton Instructional Sites to Send Volunteers to Serve Communities on 10<sup>th</sup> Annual MLK Day of Service

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**Galloway Township, NJ-** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service has become a decade-long tradition that marks the start of the spring semester at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey. For the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary, some projects will extend beyond Galloway to reach Woodbine, Atlantic City, Manahawkin and Hammonton.

For the first time ever, students will gather on the main campus and at each of Stockton's instructional sites on **Monday, Jan. 20, 2014** to serve the surrounding communities with more than 40 service projects.

"We are excited to be working with the greater South Jersey community as Stockton College celebrates its 10th year of service and engagement in hosting this national service initiative. We anticipate 1,000 volunteers with our efforts across South Jersey," said Daniel Tomé, assistant director of Service-Learning.

All projects are open to the public. To register, visit [www.stockton.edu/servicelearning](http://www.stockton.edu/servicelearning). Participants will receive a t-shirt, breakfast and lunch.

Volunteers will meet at the starting locations at 8 a.m. for breakfast and transportation to the projects, which all end at 3 p.m. Galloway volunteers will meet on the main campus in the Campus Center; Atlantic City volunteers will meet at the Carnegie Center at MLK Blvd. and Pacific Ave.; Hammonton volunteers will meet at Kramer Hall on 30 Front St.; Manahawkin volunteers will meet at Stockton's Manahawkin instructional site at 712 E. Bay Ave.; and Woodbine volunteers will meet at the Sam Azeez Museum of Woodbine Heritage at 610 Washington Ave.

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Stockton's Day of Service is sponsored by the Office of the President and the MLK Day of Service Planning Committee, co-chaired by Brian Jackson, chief of staff, and Daniel Tomé.

This year's Day of Service commemorates the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the landmark "Brown vs. BOE" Supreme Court Case which ruled that "separate educational facilities are inherently unequal." In light of this educational milestone, Stockton's Student Senate has invited high school and middle school Girl Scouts to join Day of Service to experience a day in the life of a college student.

Projects on the main Galloway campus include a campus clean-up, a workshop to train emerging activists, packaging books to send overseas with the Books Without Borders organization and various artistic projects. Volunteers will also travel from the main campus to the Tuckerton Seaport for a Sandy clean-up.

In Atlantic City, volunteers will be partnering with the Atlantic City Police Athletic League, the AHEART donation organization, the Atlantic City Rescue Mission, Atlantic City Revive, the Eastern Service Workers Association and other organizations in the city.

Hammonton volunteers will make greeting cards with older adults at the Greenbrier Nursing Home, clean up the Hammonton walking path and help with archiving at the Vineland Historical Society.

In Manahawkin, students will make get-well cards, participate in a technology workshop, organize Lighthouse Film Festival mailers, organize basic first aid and emergency prep equipment, and gather stories from Superstorm Sandy victims to contribute to an oral history archive.

Volunteers at the Sam Azeez Museum of Woodbine Heritage will host a canned food drive.

For questions and updates, contact the Office of Service-Learning at 609-652-4256 or [servicelearning@stockton.edu](mailto:servicelearning@stockton.edu).

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