Center for Social Impact COVID-19 Resources for Students

Remote Volunteer & Community Engagement Opportunities

Device Collection Drive

The Center for Social Impact will be collecting new or used electronic devices for our community partner organizations who are experiencing an increased need for laptops, netbooks, and tablets.

Nursing care/rehab facilities want to provide devices so that those recovering from COVID-19 can still keep in touch with their families when visitors are not permitted. Many of our youth-serving organizations are working to ensure that all students have access to distance learning curricula.

**PLEASE BE SURE TO DELETE ALL PERSONAL INFORMATION FROM THE DEVICE BEFORE DONATING.** Many mobile devices have a “Restore to Factory Settings” option. For more guidance on how to wipe your device:

- [https://www.techsoup.org/support/articles-and-how-tos/ten-tips-for-donating-a-computer](https://www.techsoup.org/support/articles-and-how-tos/ten-tips-for-donating-a-computer)

If you'd like to donate a device, please email Andrea Canuel to make arrangements for pickup!

Browse Remote Volunteer/Engagement/Donation Opportunities with Local Partners (Bridgeport/Fairfield)

- Service@Fairfield Portal on Life@Fairfield
- Center for Social Impact Guide on How to Support Local Partners or Your Local Community
- Center for Social Impact: Community Partner Survey Results (Searchable)

Browse Virtual Volunteer Opportunities with Remote Partners

For those looking to stay connected to community-engaged work in this isolating time, there are numerous online volunteer opportunities that anyone can engage in remotely with an internet connection. For more information: [onlinevolunteering.org](http://onlinevolunteering.org), Idealist's Virtual Volunteering Guide, or this compilation.

Humanitarian Action Resources for Students

- During the advising period, students in the Humanitarian Action Minor or those who are interested in learning about the minor, can reach out to Professor Janie Leatherman (jleatherman@fairfield.edu) or Julie Mughal (jmughal@fairfield.edu) for assistance. We would be happy to set up a Zoom meeting.
• Students interested in the Peace Corps Prep Program at Fairfield University, can reach out to Anita Deeg-Carlin or Julie Mughal for details. More information on the PCCP can be found at: Fairfield Us Peace Corps Prep Program

• If you are interested in exploring Humanitarian Action Internships in the field of humanitarian action, please contact Julie Mughal. If you are a student in the Minor, you can receive credit for your internship.

• Professor Leatherman will be offering her IL 197/PO 271-UN Security Council Crisis Simulation on the Protection of Civilians online from May 20 to June 3. Some scholarships are available for HA minors toward this course. More details on the course and how to register can be found at: https://www.fairfield.edu/summer-and-continuing-studies/summer-programs/courses-for-credit/courses-by-date/

• It is also a great time to work toward online certification in the Humanitarian Action Field:
  - The Humanitarian Leadership Academy: https://kayaconnect.org/login/index.php
  - Sphere: The Sphere community sets standards for humanitarian action and promotes quality and accountability. https://spherestandards.org/online-courses/
  - FEMA: The Emergency Management Institute (EMI) offers self-paced courses designed for people who have emergency management responsibilities and the general public. All are offered free-of-charge to those who qualify for enrollment. To get a complete listing of courses, view the list of active courses

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