

Agnes Scott alumnae and students participate in "Scotties Give Back" during October

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More than 300 Agnes Scott College alumnae and 60 current students participated in a variety of public service projects during October as part of the first "Scotties Give Back" initiative. The Atlanta area was the site for nine of the projects, with others organized by alumnae from Baltimore to Dallas to Seattle. A full list of projects is available here: <u>www.tinyurl.com/scottiesgiveback</u>. School officials plan to continue the program on an annual basis.

During October, Scotties packed 20,000 meals in less than two hours; helped renovate a Habitat for Humanity home; packed tote bags with school supplies; assisted with maintenance t three community parks; helped girls create jewelry; created origami artwork that will be sold to support clean water projects; and made fleece blankets for children in a hospital, among other opportunities.

"Scotties Give Back" by the numbers:

- 30,000 meals prepared
- 3 tons of food sorted
- 3 parks cleaned and maintained
- 300 books donated
- 86 blankets made
- 5,500 diapers packaged
- 387 art projects created
- 50 school totes made
- 700 clothing items sorted
- 84 hygiene kits made
- 30 trees planted
- 3 city blocks cleaned
- 1 house renovated
- 81,189 people served

"Scotties Give Back' was created to focus on all the good we can do for each other and celebrate the role that community plays in the mission of our college," said President Elizabeth Kiss. "Community engagement is one of the many ways we achieve our mission of educating students to 'think deeply, live honorably, and engage the intellectual and social challenges of their times.""

In 2015, Agnes Scott launched the Summit program, which reinvents liberal arts education for the 21st century by preparing every student to be an effective change agent in a global society.

"We see this month-long commitment to community service as an extension of Summit," said Kim Vickers, Senior Director of Alumnae Relations and a member of the Class of 1987. "Agnes Scott alumnae are leaders wherever they are and they make a difference in their communities and the world."

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Agnes Scott College educates women to think deeply, live honorably and engage the intellectual and social challenges of their times. Students are drawn to Agnes Scott by its excellent academic reputation, exceptional faculty and metropolitan Atlanta location—offering myriad social, cultural and experiential learning opportunities. This highly selective liberal arts college is known for its diverse and dynamic intellectual community. Its signature program SUMMIT provides every student, regardless of major, with an individualized course of study and co-curricular experiences that develop leadership abilities and understanding of complex global dynamics. Visit <u>agnesscott.edu</u> to learn more.

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