Your Chapter and Your Community

Alumni Leadership Conference 2016
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Mission of the Alumni Association

• To foster lifelong support for the university’s mission through programs, activities and events for its alumni, future alumni and friends who are forever maroon and white.
  — Programs – College fairs, student recruiting socials, community service
  — Activities – Game-watch parties, festivals, picnics, etc.
  — Events – Scholarship dinners, seasonal meetings, etc.
Definitions of Community Service

• Merriam Webster: “work that is done without pay to help people in a community”
  – Official programs like Habitat for Humanity
  – Cleaning up an area like a building, park, road, etc.
  – General service opportunities like soup kitchen
  – Rehabilitation programs
Community Service at MSU

• MSU Community Engagement Committee created in 2010
• MSU defines community service as external service performed by members of the University that involves mutually beneficial exchanges with individuals, groups, or organizations.
• Carnegie Elective Classification for Community Engagement
MSU Engages in Community Service

• Students – Office of Student Leadership and Community Engagement
• Faculty/staff – Extension, MVC, etc.
Community Service Project Ideas

- Adopt-a-Highway
- Habitat for Humanity
- Toys for Tots
- Boys and Girls Clubs
- Adopt-a-family
- Animal shelter
- Canned food drive
- Etc.
MSU Alumni Chapters – Questionnaire

• 1) What is the name of your community service project?
• 2) Where did you find out about this opportunity?
• 3) Who does the project benefit?
• 4) How long does the project last? One-time, annual, seasonal?
• 5) How much time did you and the chapter put into this project?
• 6) Can you do this project again? Will you do it again? Why?
Questions/Comments
Thank You!