

# FOR A MORE JUST & EQUITABLE WORLD



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SERVICE,  
+JUSTICE

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY MARYLAND



Greetings,

I am proud to present this 2022-2023 Annual Report. It outlines our Center's many successes achieved through mutually beneficial partnerships with the community. The Center remains a hub for community engagement and social justice that connects the Loyola community to partners in Baltimore and beyond. It also continues to house our York Road Initiative, for which we received \$675,000 in community project funding administered through the Small Business Administration last spring. These funds are supporting a wide variety of community development projects for the York Road corridor.

Our Center celebrated its 30th anniversary this year and also welcomed several new team members, including myself. As I complete my first year as executive director, I continue to be impressed at Loyola's commitment to our Jesuit core values such as service, community, leadership, justice, and diversity.

While we will always look back with gratitude on our Center's legacy, we must adapt to meet the changing needs of our neighborhoods, our city, and our world. The pandemic only heightened social inequalities. Our response must be to train the next generation of social change leaders to work with communities to address our society's most pressing challenges.

I look forward to the year ahead and hope that you and your loved ones are filled with peace and renewed inspiration.

Yours in Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. McGinnis'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Gia Grier McGinnis, Dr. PH.

*Executive Director for Loyola's Center for Community, Service, and Justice*

# STUDENT LEADERSHIP

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## Intern Program

Every year, undergraduate students apply to become a student intern with the Center for Community, Service, and Justice (CCSJ) and York Road Initiative (YRI) to strengthen their commitment to the local Baltimore community, while strengthening their personal and professional skills. Last year, 24 student interns were selected to support the work of CCSJ and YRI and over 15 community partners/programs, receiving ongoing formation and training throughout the year. Each intern was supervised and mentored by a full-time CCSJ staff member to accompany the intern's personal and professional development.

Beginning with a pre-fall semester seven-day training, student interns quickly began building relationships and community, explored their individual and collective values as a team and learned more about their roles as student leaders and ambassadors at Loyola. Interns and professional staff also read Lawrence T. Brown's *The Black Butterfly* prior to training to develop a shared context on how historical and contemporary practices have contributed to racial and spatial inequities in Baltimore.

Throughout the academic year, interns provided administrative, marketing, and outreach support for many departmental efforts. Additionally, student interns collaborated with campus offices, academic departments, and community partners to coordinate community engagement and advocacy work. Interns regularly found ways to further their learning by participating in community-led events and on-campus lectures that provided context about current social and political issues happening locally and nationwide. As a part of their internship, interns also partook in monthly intern meetings that offered a combination of professional and personal development opportunities on topics like power mapping, strategic goal setting, asset-based language, and intervention approaches and advocacy in the workplace.



## Newman Civic Fellow

**Sydney Pinkett, '24**, was named a Newman Civic Fellow in March 2022. In November 2022 she attended the annual Convening of Newman Civic Fellows in Boston, Massachusetts. Pinkett continues to serve as a service coordinator for the Community Engaged Literacy Project at Govans Elementary School and is also doing research on school-based restorative justice practices. As a part of her fellowship capstone, Pinkett will be doing research on food access/justice in relation to community health outcomes.



## France-Merrick Scholar

**Carmen Wilson, '25**, was named a France-Merrick Scholar in 2021. Scholars are awarded a four-year partial scholarship and engage in service and leadership activities throughout their time at Loyola. In 2022-2023, Wilson served as an art classroom assistant at Walter P. Carter Elementary/Middle School and Govans Elementary School.

## Special Olympics Maryland Swim Qualifier

CCSJ hosted the annual Special Olympics Maryland swim qualifier event at the Fitness & Aquatics Center. This event brings together athletes from across the state to qualify for Maryland's Special Olympics Summer Games. In addition to the CCSJ student interns who supported the all-day event, over 45 students volunteered, including representatives from Loyola's Club Swim team, for a total of more than 345 service hours.



# FOREVER-GREEN THRIFT STORE

The Forever-Green Thrift Store was launched as a new program led by student intern **Bernie del Prado, '22**, in an effort to raise awareness around the environmental impact of fast fashion and the clothing industry as well as to raise funds in support of local environmental justice organizations.



## NOVEMBER 2022

**Raised \$1,866 and donated to Blue Water Baltimore**

By making second-hand purchases through the thrift store, participants helped save around 300,000 gallons of water and 9,000 pounds of CO<sup>2</sup> based on the amount of water and CO<sup>2</sup> that would have been used if the same amount of clothing were to have been produced.

The event included education around the impact of fast fashion and the clothing industry on the environment. Information was also shared about the work of Blue Water Baltimore.

## TOTAL AMOUNTS FOR YEAR

**\$2,999**

raised and donated to  
Blue Water Baltimore,  
Patterson Park Audubon Center,  
and Strength to Love Farm II

**500,000**

gallons of water saved

**26,000**

pounds of CO<sup>2</sup> saved

## MARCH 2023

**Raised \$1,133 and donated to Strength to Love Farm II**

Based on the number of items sold through the thrift store, shoppers helped save around 200,000 gallons of water and 17,000 pounds of CO<sup>2</sup>.

Bunting Peace & Justice Speaker Series

### The State of Youth Activism

A Fireside Chat with *DoSomething*

**DeNora Getachew**  
Chief Executive Officer of *DoSomething.org*, the hub for youth-centered activism. We fuel young people to change the world.

March 27 | 6:30 p.m.  
McGuire Hall

Free and open to the public.  
Learn more and register:  
[loyola.edu/bunting](http://loyola.edu/bunting)

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30th Anniversary  
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On March 27, CCSJ celebrated its 30th anniversary by co-sponsoring a Bunting Peace & Justice event, “The State of Youth Activism: A Fireside Chat with *DoSomething*.” The discussion featured *DoSomething* CEO DeNora Getachew and was moderated by Newman fellow and CCSJ intern **Sydney Pinkett, '24**, and CCSJ intern **Bailey Skeeter, '23**.





# COMMUNITY-ENGAGED LEARNING & SCHOLARSHIP/RESEARCH

## Service-Learning Courses

### FALL 2022

**78** Loyola students participated in service-learning as part of 19 different sections.

### SPRING 2023

**76** Loyola students participated in service-learning as part of 24 different sections.



Students from Billy Friebele's Public Art class completed a sculpture project with Govans Elementary in spring 2023.

CCSJ helps connect academic work with community goals in mutually beneficial partnerships. Over the last year, students and faculty participated in community-engaged scholarship and research. For example, **David Carey, Jr., Ph.D.**, Doehler Chair in History's Oral History's class focused on Loyola and the legacies of slavery. This was a service-learning designated course doing important, mission-aligned work for the University. CCSJ also funded the transcription of the students' oral interviews to be included in their final Apero publication.

In fall 2022, **Lisa Zimmerelli, Ph.D.**, Writing Center director and associate professor of writing partnered with CCSJ to coordinate a trip to the Maryland State House for a group of students, faculty, staff, and community members. In Annapolis, the group attended a rally to support proposed legislation, which would have ended the automatic prosecution of youth as adults in Maryland. Students also had the opportunity to meet other advocates and tour the legislative buildings. In preparation for the rally, CCSJ staff worked with students in Zimmerelli's class to conduct research, develop talking points, create advocacy materials, and write letters to elected officials serving in the Maryland House and Senate.

**THIS PARTNERSHIP INSPIRED OUR PROMOTION OF ADVOCACY-CENTERED COURSES IN THE COMING ACADEMIC YEAR.**

## CCSJ Faculty Fellows

The Faculty Fellows for Service-Learning Seminar is an introduction to service-learning pedagogy and provides an opportunity to integrate this pedagogy into an appropriate course in the company of friends and colleagues from a number of departments. The 2023 fellows are **John Dougherty, Ph.D.**, assistant professor of economics; **Jessica Enos, Ph.D.**, assistant clinical professor of teacher education; **Greg Hoplamazian, Ph.D.**, associate professor of communication; **Amanda Kramer**, assistant director of resource and technology services; and **Becky Walker, Ph.D.**, assistant teaching professor of theology.

## Reignite Community-Engaged Teaching Seminar

The seminar is a newly created opportunity for established instructors to further develop their teaching practice. They will bring to the seminar a specific plan to advance their teaching, and, over a semester, they will work with like-minded faculty to develop a new course or pedagogy. The faculty who participated in the Reignite Seminar in spring 2023 are **David Carey, Ph.D.**, professor of history; **Michelle Gawerc, Ph.D.**, associate professor of sociology; and **Jessica Locke, Ph.D.**, associate professor of philosophy.

## Kolvenbach Awardees

**Noof Bazaz, Ph.D.**, assistant clinical professor of school counseling, was awarded \$6,000 as part of the 2022-23 Kolvenbach Research Grant Program. In partnership with Esperanza Center, this project leverages Loyola's expertise and resources to address Esperanza Center's needs to promote social/emotional wellbeing and engage peer support networks among Central American refugee youth, in particular unaccompanied immigrant children, in Baltimore. Students participated in an eight-week long program working with Edwin Girón, a School Counselor in Training along with Bazaz, in summer 2022. The project reflects key values of Rev. Peter Hans Kolvenbach, S.J., former Superior General of the Society of Jesus by serving diverse populations through leveraging peer and community strengths.

Kolvenbach funds were awarded to four projects for the 2023-24 academic year with a total of \$19,953 awarded. The projects awarded funding are:

**Pathways to Mental Health Court**  
Nea James, '24

**LEADing into the Wilderness**  
Leah Katherine Saal, Ph.D., and  
Lisa Schoenbrodt, Ed.D.

**Teacher Education for Quality  
Family & Community Engagement**  
Stephanie Flores-Koulish, Ph.D.,  
and Jessica Shiller, Ph.D.,  
(Towson University)

**Open Insulin**  
Lisa Scheifele, Ph.D.

## May 17 Workshop

Each May, Loyola hosts an all-day workshop to reinvigorate community-engaged learning and scholarship in Baltimore. This year's theme is "Centering Advocacy & Activism in Education" and will explore ways of designing courses and research agendas in a way that prioritizes social change. This year's workshop will feature Dr. Randy Stoecker, who has been a nationally recognized leader in community engagement for decades.

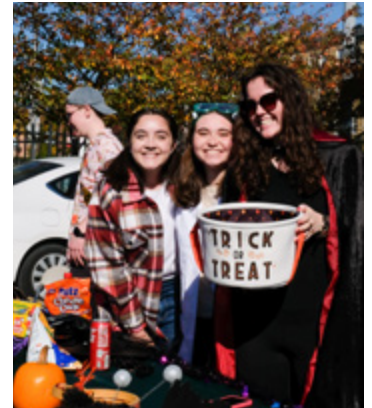
## Course Development Grants

Building off the May workshop's advocacy and activism theme, we issued Course Development Grants to faculty to design new community-engaged courses that focused on advocacy. We funded five new courses, which will be offered during AY23-24.

# BUILDING COMMUNITY THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS

## York Road Halloween Block Party

A four-year partnership between CCSJ/YRI and the Student Government Association, the Halloween Block Party gathers Loyola students from across all clubs and organization to provide a safe, welcoming Halloween event for the surrounding neighborhoods in the Govans community. The SGA helped to organize 18 clubs and organizations, with more than 80 Loyola student volunteers in total from across these groups. Groups included SGA; NSSLHA; Campus Ministry; Relay for Life; Belles, Chimes, and Greysounds acapella groups; Mosaic; Govans Elementary; Sociology Club; Greyhound Ambassador; and WLOY Radio Station. Over 300 community members from 20 neighborhoods surrounding Loyola's campus attended and participated in the event.



## Thanksgiving Turkey Drive

CCSJ led Loyola's support for the GEDCO Thanksgiving turkey drive. As part of the drive, Loyola students and staff donated over \$500 helping GEDCO to provide more than 200 turkeys to their clients. Loyola students also helped to distribute the turkeys to GEDCO clients.

## Presence for Christmas

Program has been running for over

**25**  
YEARS

It was initially run by the sophomore class of SGA.

Engaged over

**300**

individual and department/  
club/team donors



DONATED

**604**  
GIFTS

(value of about \$18,100)  
to nine community  
organizations and schools:

Choice Program  
Esperanza Center (Catholic Charities)  
Govans Elementary School  
Head Start (St. Vincent de Paul)  
Home Connections  
(St. Vincent de Paul)

Refugee Youth Project  
Super Store (Catholic Charities)  
Walter P. Carter Elementary/  
Middle School  
Nexus-Woodbourne  
Family Healing



York Road Community Days





# CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND CIVIC CAPACITY

## Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice

Done in collaboration with Campus Ministry

**9** students attended

**6** Congressional office meetings with 1 U.S. Senator and 5 U.S. Representatives

Students continued their advocacy during UndocuWeek, submitting comments on the proposed changes in federal policy governing the process for people seeking asylum.

Inspired by their experience at the Teach-In, Loyola students launched an on-campus collective art project titled "Our Link to the Border." The art project asks Loyola students to write their answer to the question, "What does humane immigration mean to you?" on a paper link and add it to the chain. The art piece will be used in future advocacy efforts on behalf of humane immigration reform.

## Annapolis Rally

In February 2023, CCSJ partnered with Loyola student organizations, Addressing the System and Sociology Club, to bring 22 students, faculty, and administrators to Annapolis to join Bridge Maryland, Inc. and Maryland Youth Justice Coalition in a rally on Lawyer's Mall to show support for the Youth Equity and Safety (Y.E.S.) Act (SB93/HB96). The rally was part of an effort to advocate for humane legislation to end the practice of automatically charging youth as adults in Maryland and ensure that all youth start their cases in the juvenile system where they have greater access to support and services. After the rally, attendees had the opportunity to interact with advocates and policy makers and toured legislative buildings.



## Loyola Votes

[Loyola.edu/join-us/vote](https://Loyola.edu/join-us/vote)

- CCSJ's Advocacy Intern **Jess Clancy, '23**, led several voter registration tabling events on-campus, including an event on National Student Voter Registration Day.
- CCSJ staff and the CCSJ advocacy intern gave presentations on LoyolaVotes, the importance of voting, and voting resources in five Messina classes.
- In spring 2023, CCSJ launched a new LoyolaVotes Registered Student Organization. Currently, the student club has over 30 members and an active executive board and is moderated by CCSJ's assistant director for outreach and advocacy.
- LoyolaVotes task force is co-chaired by CCSJ's associate director for programs.
  - Task force membership has expanded to include Athletics, ALANA Services, Marketing & Communications, Student Life, and Messina resulting in greater representation and collaboration across the University.
  - Developed and submitted a Voter Action Plan on behalf of the University which outlines goals and priorities for 2023.

### REPORTING ON 2020 ACTION PLAN GOALS AND PRIORITIES:

**GOAL: Attain 2,500 total TurboVote users (or an increase of 1,000) by December 2020**

**ACHIEVED:** An increase of 1,043 users occurred between November 2019 and December 2020

Dec. 31, 2019	Dec. 31, 2020	Dec. 31, 2021
<b>1,416</b>	<b>2,434</b>	<b>2,764</b>
TOTAL USERS	TOTAL USERS	TOTAL USERS

**GOAL: Increase voter registration rate 5-percentage points over the 2016 NSLVE data by 2020**

**ACHIEVED:** 2020 NSLVE reported over a 9-percentage point increase since 2016

2012 Registration Rate:	2016 Registration Rate:	2018 Registration Rate:
<b>74.4%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>77.9%</b>
(National rate was 69%)	(National rate was 70.6%)	

2020 Goal: 84%  
Actual Voter Registration Rate: **88.6%**

**GOAL: Increase voting rate 5-percentage points over the 2016 NSLVE data by 2020**

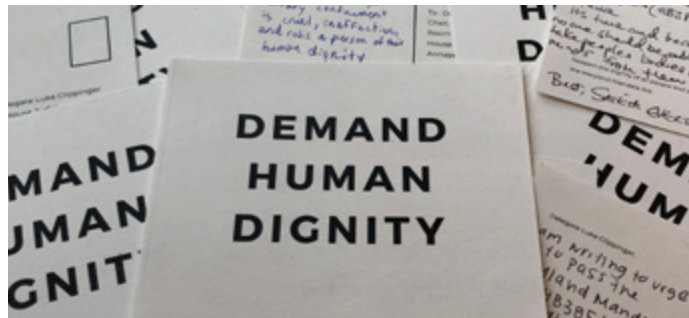
**ACHIEVED:** 2020 NSLVE reported over a 27-percentage point increase since 2016

2012 Voting Rate:	2016 Voting Rate:	2020 Goal: 52.2% Actual Voting Rate:
<b>44.3%</b>	<b>47.2%</b>	<b>79.7%</b>
(National rate was 45.1%)	(National rate was 48.3%)	

## Support for 4th District Office

In a partnership with the 4th District of Baltimore City Councilman Mark Conway's office, three student interns from the CCSJ/YRI participated in dual internships with both offices. In their time with the district office, **Bethany Richardson, '23**, filled needs including constituent services specialists, policy fellows, and community engagement support.

- In 2022, fellows supported sustainability legislation put forth by Baltimore City Council. Through collaborating with the on-campus Sustainability Club, letters of support were garnered for the Net Zero Carbon Emissions Ordinance scheduled for March 16. Students testified throughout the hearings virtually, as well as through pre-submitted written and audio testimonies.
- In fall 2022, fellow Bethany Richardson worked with constituents to help them receive thousands of dollars owed to them from the City as well as ensure that all their concerns were met up until this date.
- In spring 2023, fellow Bethany Richardson surveyed over 65 residents in order to assess the state of healthcare in the 4th district and greater Baltimore area. Bethany conducted a constituent survey, aggregated and reviewed the responses, and researched possible initiatives in response to the data. This information was shared with the 4th District Council office and will be used to inform the next steps for the office in addressing constituent needs for healthcare.



## Raising Awareness

CCSJ partnered with the Loyola Notre Dame Library and Notre Dame of Maryland University to participate in a series of events highlighting the human impact of mass incarceration. CCSJ sponsored a film screening and discussion with local activist and bookstore owner Tia Hamilton and invited students to participate in the "Demand Human Dignity" postcard campaign to advocate for laws to place limits on the use of solitary confinement in Maryland correctional facilities.

## SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT

### SBA Grant/BID Partnership (2023)

YRI is providing backbone support for the emerging York Road Corridor Business Improvement District, including administrative support for the BID executive director search. Loyola's SBA earmark will provide over \$200,000 in seed money for the organization.



### Façade Partnership

Loyola is partnering with GEDCO and the York Road Partnership to administer a Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development grant. This year, three commercial facade projects were completed. Plans for an additional three east side businesses are in progress.





## York Road Community Days

### FALL 2022

Over four dates,  
October 8, October 22,  
November 5,  
and November 12

**314**  
LOYOLA STUDENTS  
participated in York Road  
Community Days for  
**945**  
HOURS

**Projects included:** Govans Urban Forrest tree planting and maintenance, Lake Evesham Native Pollinator Garden, Wilson Part, DeWees Park, Homeland neighborhoods, Radnor Winston Community Garden, Lake Walker, Glenwood Life Community Garden, Clocktower, and Post Office Garden.

**Clubs and organizations on campus that participated:** Health Outreach Baltimore, Dance Team, Men's Basketball, Student Government Association, Cross Country, Swim Team, Greyhound Ambassadors, Women in Business, and Sigma Society.



Swim team

### SPRING 2023

Over two dates,  
April 15 and April 22,

**113**  
LOYOLA STUDENTS  
participated in York Road  
Community Days for  
**339**  
HOURS

**Projects included:** Lake Evesham Native Pollinator Garden, Glenwood Life Community Garden, GEDCO CARES, Govans Urban Forest, Lake Walker Community, Wilson Park Community, U.S. Post Office Garden, Woodbourne McCabe, and Winston Govans.

**Clubs and organizations on campus that participated:** Messina, Women's Club Lacrosse, Women's Soccer, Campus Ministry, and Health Outreach Baltimore.



Dance team

## Trash Bashers Partnership

Beginning as a collaboration between YRI, St. Mary's Catholic Church, and The League for People with Disabilities, St. Mary's volunteers gathered funding for three participants to be paid for clean ups on the 5500-5200 blocks of York Road. As part of the federal earmark grant, \$36,000 has been allocated for growing the program to 10 participants from The League and supporting administrative costs and supplies such as trash bags, hats, and gloves.

## Expungement Clinics

- Loyola University Maryland partnered with Maryland Legal Aid (MLA) to host expungement clinics on March 19, 2022, September 17, 2022, and March 26, 2023 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The events were held in the parking lot of Loyola's Transportation and Public Safety complex at 5104 York Road where Loyola hosts the Govans Farmers' Market each summer.
- CCSJ staff provided training to students in the Pre-Law Society who served as volunteers at the Expungement Clinic.

- CCSJ funded these Expungement Clinics.
- MLA provided free day-of legal services for criminal record expungement.
- Anyone eligible for services received direct assistance the day of the clinic. Anyone over the income guidelines were still able to meet with an attorney to assess their record and determine if any of their cases were eligible for expungement and received guidance on how to file the necessary paperwork on a *pro se* basis.

**In September 2022 and March 2023,  
137 clients, 69 who had cases eligible for  
expungement and 205 petitions were issued.**

- March 2022:** We had 36 clients come to the clinic and of those clients, 23 had cases that we determined were currently eligible for expungement. For those 23 we created 38 petitions. For the 13 clients that we did not create petitions, there were either no cases eligible for expungement or an active case that would prevent it.
- September 2022:** We were able to assist 63 clients on September 19, 2022, and almost all of whom were from the Govans community. Of the 63 clients we saw, 46 of them had cases that were eligible for expungement, and we prepared 97 petitions.
- March 2023:** We were able to assist 38 clients and prepare 70 petitions.



# EDUCATION AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

## AmeriCorps VISTA Partnership Milestones

CCSJ developed over \$9,000 of in-kind resources, coordinated 81 volunteers, and directly served over 100 students through our full time AmeriCorps VISTA member at Govans Elementary School and Walter P. Carter Elementary and Middle School.

## CELP (Community Engaged Literacy Project)

- Loyola students provided over 400 hours of one-on-one tutoring to elementary students at Govans Elementary School in the 2022-23 school year.
- Thirty-one Loyola students trained using the Community Engaged Literacy Project modules.

## Family Engagement Nights

CCSJ also recruited student volunteers to participate in monthly Family Engagement Nights at Walter P. Carter Elementary/Middle School and organized Loyola student volunteers to participate in monthly food distribution events at the school's food pantry.

## College Nights with the Choice Program

- Over AY22-23, CCSJ and YRI partnered with the Choice Program at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County to invite 15-25 youth biweekly to Loyola University Maryland on Tuesday nights. The programming included:
  - Dinner in campus dining facilities.
  - An enrichment hour in which students participated in educational or engagement activities including but not limited to a campus scavenger hunt, a demonstration on innovation and entrepreneurship, a visit to our campus radio station, and science experiments and games.
  - A recreational hour at the Loyola Fitness and Aquatics Center (FAC).
- Nine undergraduate students served as mentors for youth by accompanying youth through campus, assisting with enrichment hours, and sharing about their college experience.



Spring Sports Clinic for local youth at Dewees Recreation Center

## Cristo Rey Visitation Day

On March 23, 2023, CCSJ and YRI partnered with guidance staff at Cristo Rey Jesuit High School to invite 36 high school students to Loyola for a day for increased awareness of different aspects of applying and attending a collegiate institution. Campus colleagues from the Academic Advising and Support Center, ALANA Services, Department of Communication, Athletics, the Office of Financial Aid, the Office of the President, Rizzo Career Center, the Sellinger School of Business, Student Engagement Office, and Undergraduate Admission provided presentations or demonstrations to share information or provide exposure for visiting students and staff at Cristo Rey Jesuit High School. Additionally, 12 undergraduate students served as ambassadors for students to help guide them throughout the day and provide insight on their college experience for the visiting youth.

## Spring Sports Clinic

CCSJ and SGA coordinated a Spring Sports Clinic for local youth at Dewees Recreation Center. The clinic hosted over 30 youth ages 5-13 with 20 Loyola students leading and instructing. Youth were taught the basics of three sports, basketball, soccer, and football. Lunch and snacks were provided.

Total over 100 service hours.

## H2O Hounds

In continuation of the partnership between Loyola and Dewees Recreation Center, 20 local youth from the 21212 zip code participated in a six-week program to learn the basics of swimming from Division 1 athletes. In one-on-one instruction, these participants were able to learn the basic strokes and pass a simple swim test after lessons with our students.

16 volunteers for 144 hours total over six-weeks.



Cristo Rey Visitation Day

# FOOD/NUTRITION

## Govans Farmers' Market (2022 season)

Vendors are all based in the state of Maryland, with 60% based in Baltimore City. The market was supported by Journey Taylor, assistant market manger; Skylar Cho, YRI food access intern; and three YouthWorks interns Jason Smith, Antoine Padonou, and Kiyan Reid.

Additionally, 12 information vendors provided resources about a variety of fields including Baltimore Compost Collective, 4th District Council Office, Rebuilding Together, Govans Elementary School, COVID-19 vaccine information, housing, Girl Scouts, transportation, and Clean Energy.



**11<sup>th</sup>**  
**SEASON**

**4**  
**MONTHS**  
**JUNE-SEPTEMBER**

**16**  
**WEEKLY**  
**VENDORS**

**250**  
**AVERAGE**  
**CUSTOMERS PER DAY**

### ECONOMIC IMPACT

Credit/Debit  
**\$13,768.05**

EBT/SNAP (Food stamps)  
**\$18,841**

Farmer's Market Nutrition Program  
**\$2,000**

Bonus Bucks  
**\$5,421**

**TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT**  
**\$40,030**

## Community Fridge

As a part of the Federal Earmark, the Govans Community Fridge opened in July 2022. Each month, \$200 worth of hygiene products and \$200 worth of dry foods/canned goods are contributed from YRI to the Fridge alongside produce each week. On campus partners, Starbucks and Green and Grey Café contribute weekly food donations.

Through FreshCrate, we have been able to order 40 pounds of produce weekly to be distributed through the community fridge to residents facing food insecurity.

### DONATIONS

Starbucks donates  
two crates each week,  
which is about  
**25**  
**POUNDS OF FOOD**  
**EACH WEEK**  
(approx. 1,000 pounds for the year)

Green  
and Grey  
donates  
**75**  
**POUNDS OF FOOD**  
**EACH WEEK**  
(approx. 3,000 pounds for the year)

## FreshCrate

Over the summer of 2022  
(June-August),  
**\$2,284.74**  
worth of produce or  
**2,451**  
pounds of produce were distributed  
to local corner stores, GEDCO,  
and our Community Fridge.

For the 13 weeks of the fall semester  
(September-December),  
**\$3,313.19**  
worth of produce or  
**3,620**  
pounds of produce were  
purchased/delivered.

On average around  
**278**  
pounds of produce purchased/  
delivered weekly. Strong  
relationships have been  
maintained with Parkhurst Dining  
and corner store owners.

Through the Federal Earmark grant,  
**\$24,000**  
worth of coupons were  
distributed through the  
GEDCO CARES food pantry  
in 2022-2023.



# AWARDS

## MILCH AWARD: SISTERS ACADEMY OF BALTIMORE

The Milch Award recognizes one community group, organization, or agency annually who contributed most significantly to the betterment of the intellectual, cultural, social, or commercial life of greater Baltimore over the past year.

Founded in 1979 by Robert A. Milch, professor of management and dean of the executive graduate program in management from 1977-1981 and his mother, Mrs. Pearl S. Milch, Loyola presents this award and its monetary gift annually during Commencement.

## REV. JOHN P. O'CONNOR, S.J. COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD: SKYLAR CHO AND BETHANY RICHARDSON

The Rev. John P. O'Connor, S.J. Community Service Award is presented to a graduating senior who has displayed outstanding participation in service to the Baltimore community and who has significantly connected their interest in service and justice with the Loyola community.

Named for Rev. John P. O'Connor, S.J., a member of the Campus Ministry staff and a faculty member of the Classics Department at Loyola from 1982 until his death in 1988, the awardee is selected based on nominations submitted by members of the Loyola community.

## FACULTY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ENGAGED SCHOLARSHIP: DR. MASUDUL BISWAS, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

Each year, Loyola recognizes and celebrates a faculty member who has made extraordinary contributions in engaged scholarship—a product of reciprocal, mutually beneficial partnerships between the University's knowledge centers and community agencies, persons, and other resources.

## DISTINGUISHED COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT HONORS

Forty graduating seniors are recognized at Commencement exercises for their significant contributions in service, justice, and community engagement with our Baltimore community throughout their time at Loyola. Awardees receive black and gold academic cords, representing the colors of Baltimore City.

Nearly 1,100 service hours in total amongst the 40 awardees.



CCSJ Open House



CCSJ table during Earth Week

**SUPPORT OUR WORK BY MAKING A GIFT**

