

# Why Do Service-Learning @ MCC?

Be **ACTIVE!** ENGAGE with your **COMMUNITY!** HANDS-ON LEARNING! Build **CITIZENSHIP!**  
Be a **LEADER!** Gain **EXPERIENCE!** Meet **COMMUNITY NEEDS!**

And a few other not-so-obvious reasons:

## IT'S OFFICIAL - TRANSCRIPTING

*At MCC we write your service-learning hours directly on your transcript. This means that your transfer institutions or future job opportunities will see that you chose to engage with the community while meeting your degree requirements. This is a way for you to set yourself apart from your peers with similar academic experiences. It also may mean that you get credit for service-learning or social justice requirements at your transfer institution.*

## GET RECOGNIZED FOR YOUR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

### ✦ DIPLOMA DISTINCTION

*Students who complete 200 service-learning hours while at MCC (with at least a 2.0 gpa) are awarded the service-learning diploma distinction upon graduation.*

### ✦ ELIGIBILITY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

*Service-learning is valued in our community, colleges, and nation. You may be eligible for scholarships because of your involvement with service-learning. The Snowball Scholarship for service-learning (\$1,500) has been established to recognize good character and promote community involvement at MCC.*

### ✦ PRESIDENTIAL VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD

*Our nation recognizes and honors Americans who engage in their communities by way of volunteer service through the Presidential Volunteer Service Award. You may apply your S-L hours as well as other volunteer hours (must be within the current calendar year) to your eligibility for this award. Those who qualify receive an official award lapel pin, a personalized certificate of achievement, a congratulatory letter from the President, and a letter from the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation. Qualifying for a specific award level is determined by the achievement of a specific number of hours within an age-group (for example: young adults aged 15-25 who do 100-174 hrs of service earn the bronze award).*

## FEDERAL WORK STUDY \$\$ - IF YOU QUALIFY

*Special Federal Works Study funds have been designated specifically for service-learning. Students who participate in service-learning at MCC may apply for these funds for their service-learning hours. Determination of eligibility is based on calculations through the financial aid office. If a student qualifies, they will be awarded minimum wage for every official hour of service-learning completed.*

**Put classroom skills into practice while serving  
your community.**

