



# CENTER FOR STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

Student Fees Advisory Committee (SFAC)  
One Time Allocation Requests FY 2014

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## **FY2014 One Time Funding Requests**

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The Center for Student Involvement respectfully submits three requests for FY2014 One Time Funding. The requests include funding for the Clinton Global Initiative – University, a campus-wide MLK Day of Service, and a Houston-based Community Action Break during spring break week. The three requests support student opportunities and experiences in leadership and civic engagement. A cost summary of all three requests is included at the end. Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

### **Clinton Global Initiative – University**

“Building on the successful model of the Clinton Global Initiative, which brings together world leaders to take action on global challenges, President Clinton launched the Clinton Global Initiative University (CGIU) in 2007 to engage the next generation of leaders on college campuses around the world.” Each year thousands of students submit Commitments to Action in five categories: Education, Environment & Climate Change, Peace and Human Rights, Poverty Alleviation and Public Health. Universities dedicated to supporting CGI-U become a part of the University Network can commit to funding both travel to CGI-U and financial support for accepted Commitments to Action.

Last year, University of Houston students submitted 55 Commitments to Action to CGI-U and 13 outstanding students, working on five Commitments were accepted to attend. The 2013 commitments supported an off-grid, portable solar power, summer volunteer opportunities for junior and senior high school refugee students, financial literacy and small business development courses for the Alabama-Coushatta Nation, designing an alternative form of temporary living to help sustain displaced people and minimize the issues that often develop from mass migrations, and recycling of educational resources to extreme poverty areas, providing opportunities for youth to become educated in their field of interest.

Clinton Global Initiative-University supports the following Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Services Strategic Initiatives and Action Steps:

**DSAES Strategic Initiative #1:** Create new opportunities for student success through learning, engagement, and discovery.

**Action Step 1.6:** Develop new service learning Initiatives that create opportunities for self-discovery and application of academic disciplines for students.

**DSAES Strategic Initiative #3-** Foster the creation of a global learning community that actualizes and embraces inclusion while preparing students to become active citizens.

**Action Steps: 3.2:** Establish co-curricular globally focused initiatives that provide students with opportunities for engagement on campus in our surrounding environments and beyond.

#### Funding Request

Travel to CGI-U in Pheonix Arizona	\$8,000
Airfare, Hotel, Parking	
Funding Commitments to Action	\$ 8,000
6% Administration Fee	<u>\$ 960</u>
Total	\$16,960

## **MLK Day of Service**

The University of Houston is an important part of the city of Houston and has a responsibility to not only provide educational and growth experiences to its students, but to positively impact the surrounding community. A Day of Service event would transport up to 100 students to one or more project sites around the Houston area, and provide a lunch and UH t-shirt. The scope of this program could grow with collaborations across campus. The purpose of a day of service is to:

- encourage personal growth through exposure to new populations and projects
- raise awareness of social issues in the Houston community
- create a networking opportunity for students to make new friends and meet community members
- honor the spirit of MLK Day through participating in a nationally recognized Day of Service
- raise the profile of the University of Houston by being visible in the community

The MLK Day of Service supports the following Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Services Strategic Initiatives and Action Steps:

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### Funding Request

2 school buses	\$1,000
T-shirts	\$ 700
Water and supplies	\$ 200
Lunch	\$ 750
Marketing	\$ 750
6% Administrative Fee	<u>\$ 204</u>
Total	\$3,604

**Community Action Break: Spring Break Volunteering in the Houston Area**

Community Action Break (CAB) developed from the Alternative Spring Break program on campus. CAB provides an opportunity for students to participate in service in Houston over spring break. Students who participate in immersion service projects, and particularly cross-cultural interactions with community members and students different from themselves, report development in their awareness of appreciation of other cultures, awareness of issues of poverty and social justice, and the needs of at-risk populations. University of Houston is well placed to have an impact on our students through volunteering because there are extensive opportunities to do service in the Houston area.

Last March, Spring 2013, the first Houston-area CAB was held. A different service project for up to eleven students was offered Monday – Thursday of spring break and included the Houston Food Bank, SEARCH Homeless Services and an Urban Harvest Community Garden. Twenty-three students participated over the week and every service project was full. The local service projects allowed students who are working or staying on campus during spring break to participate in service opportunities. CSI would like to build on this success by expanding the local CAB experience to 20 students per day in March 2014.

The local Community Action Break program supports the following Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Strategic Initiatives and Action Steps:

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Funding Request

Two 12 passenger vans	\$1,000
Lunches on 2 days	\$ 400
Marketing	\$ 400
Group Activity Day (\$25/pp)	\$ 775
6% Administration Fee	<u>\$ 150</u>
Total	\$2,725

**Summary of FY2014 One Time Requests:**

1. Clinton Global Initiative – University . . . . .	\$ 16,960.00
2. MLK Day of Service. . . . .	\$ 3,604.00
3. Community Action Break, local. . . . .	<u>\$ 2,650.00</u>
Total FY2014 One Time Requests:	\$23,214.00

Thank you again for your consideration of these requests. Please let us know if there is any additional information we can provide.