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New Cal Poly Students Give Back to Community Sept. 15 and 17 During WOW Days of Service

SAN LUIS OBISPO — About 2,000 new students will begin their Cal Poly careers by giving back to their new community as a part of the Week of Welcome's 8th annual Days of Service set for 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday and Saturday, Sept. 15 and 17 from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Students will work with various service projects on and off campus. Volunteers will dedicate their time helping outdoor conservation projects, canned food drive collection, homeless shelters, churches and other organizations.

The WOW Days of Services program is coordinated through Cal Poly's Student Community Services (SCS) organization. The goal is to support the community, enrich a student's college experience and provide opportunities on how students can make a difference in service.

"Community service is a great resource for new students to be introduced to," said Lauren Peters WOW Executive Board member and Campus and Community Relations Committee co-chairwoman. "We want incoming students to be motivated to do community service in the future. By introducing it to them in their WOW groups, they'll have opportunities to see different ways they can contribute in their new community."

Student Community Services organization works with WOW throughout the year to coordinate three official Days of Service, along with other service events. Community service is integrated into every level of WOW. Before volunteering with their individual groups, WOW leaders can participate in a Day of Service during their training in the spring, and WOW Team—the student coordinators who train WOW leaders—have the opportunity to participate in a Day of Service in the winter.

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