20th Anniversary
1995-2015
Transforming Lives to Lead and Serve

The INSTITUTE for LEADERSHIP and SERVICE

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The MSL is an international research program focused on understanding the influences of higher education in shaping socially responsible leadership capacity and other leadership related outcomes (e.g., efficacy, cognitive skills, resiliency).

The Institute has participated in this comprehensive study to assess UDM student needs and outcomes in 2009, 2012 and 2015.

The Campus Kitchen at UDM is a part of a national network which is “empowering the next generation of leaders to implement innovative models for combating hunger, developing food systems and helping communities help themselves.”

CKUDM is a great fit within the Institute because it gives student leaders the opportunity to run a real non-profit organization.
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The Emerging Leaders Program (ELP) is designed to educate, engage, and empower all UDM students. Using the “Social Change Model,” the ELP offers students the opportunity to explore their leadership potential and abilities through involvement in programs, events, and activities that include learning, leadership, spirituality, and service, on and off campus.

The Step Up: Be A Leader and Pay It Forward program is multi-faceted and engages UDM Emerging Leaders in providing group mentoring and social skills building sessions to help local high school students transition to college. The high school students then "Pay It Forward" by sharing the same skills with local junior high school students. Topics include stress and time management, proper use of social media, techniques for reducing aggression, prejudice, and substance abuse, and helping students "step up" during an emergency or when others are in need of help. Participating schools include the Jalen Rose Leadership Academy, Loyola, University of Detroit Jesuit, Bishop Foley Catholic, and Hamtramck High Schools.

Examples of Community Projects (2011-2014)
- Law students provide legal advice to low-income immigrants to educate and empower the clients.
- UDM students will meet with residents of the Haven Domestic Violence Shelter and will develop an education and awareness program.
- Mathematics students provide financial workshops to a cohort of Detroit residents.
- Biology students tutoring and guiding students about biology at Loyola High School and students at Mercy Education Project.

In 2011, a partnership began between the Ford Motor Company Fund and the Institute to provide financial resources to support community outreach and student-led service projects.

Three Year Summary:
- 31 Projects
- 29 Faculty
- 38 Student Leaders
- 474 Students
- 1,953 People Served

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2015 marks the 20th Anniversary of the Institute for Leadership and Service, previously known as The Leadership Development Institute (LDI). So, please look for more details soon about our upcoming 20th Anniversary Events.

We could not have made the progress we have without you! The students are the most important aspect of everything that The Institute does. You are our main focus. We would like for you to celebrate our accomplishments with us!

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In line with our mission at the Institute, we would like to reach out to as many people as possible. Did you recognize anyone in this newsletter?! Please send us their contact info and we will send them a copy.

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