

Notre Dame's Service Impact Report

Over the course of the 2025-2026 school year, Notre Dame has lived the Gospel message of love, service, and solidarity. Rooted in faith and action, students and faculty participated in meaningful service, addressing local, national and global needs while exercising Notre Dame's Mercy Core Values and the Seven Principles of Catholic Social Teaching. The annual impact report reflects your collective efforts.

The numbers below are shared not to reduce service to statistics, but to help understand how our students are growing in their understanding of service—particularly as we move away from tracking service hours and seek more meaningful ways to reflect a service experience. They are figures to be proud of, while reminding us that *true* service is a two-way relationship: in giving of ourselves, we are called to be changed, challenged, and transformed.

As Catholic educators, this year's impact report is framed through the Seven Principles of Catholic Social Teaching, allowing the impact of service to be viewed through the lens of dignity, justice, and faith.

1. Life & Dignity of the Human Person

- 35 Breast Cancer Awareness cards made by ND Cares
- 40 cards for Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
- 46 cards for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
- 24 care packages for Boston Children's Hospital
- 50 Valentine's Day care bags for CHOP
- 18 painted rocks for Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital
- 73 mental health pipe-cleaner flowers created for seniors
- 91 bookmarks for nursing home residents
- 32 ornaments for Operation Ornament
- 25 cards of appreciation for police officers and state troopers
- 22 rosaries for St. Raphael School
- 45 care packages for PCDI teachers
- 123 Candy Grams for teachers

2. Call to Family, Community & Participation

- 486 total visits to the service classroom for Service During Activity Period

- 40 children welcomed from Sprout U for campus Halloween celebration
- 36 adults from Eden Autism hosted for campus programming
- Italian Club service with St. Ann's Aftercare Program
- ASL Club service initiatives supporting Helping Hands

3. Rights & Responsibilities

- 200 Cold Care Packages assembled for TASK
- 52 feminine hygiene bags and 59 food bags for TASK
- 120 pairs of socks decorated and distributed to individuals in need
- 135 utensil sets assembled for TASK
- 44 hygiene packages for Jamaica Hurricane Relief
- 8 water filters assembled through Wine to Water, providing clean water for 96 people
- 200 shoes collected for Soles4Souls
- 60 First Aid Kits for Trenton Area Rescue Mission
- 24 care bags for Trenton Area Rescue Mission
- 132 donations for the Salvation Army
- 50 bags for Helping Hands for Jamaica

4. Option for the Poor & Vulnerable

- 2,150 items collected for Mount Carmel Guild Thanksgiving Drive
- \$16,550+ raised for Covenant House through Service Under the Stars and Hoops for Hope
- 65 students participated in Covenant House Sleep Outs
- 250 books donated to Habitat for Humanity and Better World Books
- 98 math supply items for St. Ann School
- 56 bags for HomeFront ArtSpace
- 30 sensory bags for Newgrange School
- 25 boxes for mothers and babies served by Younity
- Celebrate Life Club Baby Shower Drive:
 - 1,378 diapers
 - 107 wipes
 - 105 clothing items
 - 69 pacifiers
 - 76 feeding supplies
 - additional infant care supplies and essentials

5. Dignity of Work & Rights of Workers

- 123 Candy Grams for teachers
- 45 care packages for PCDI teachers
- Appreciation cards for educators, healthcare workers, and community helpers
- HomeFront ArtSpace support initiatives

6. Solidarity

- \$2,000 raised through Hope at Bat
- \$160 raised for St. Jude through Outdoor Game Night
- 328-item Aruba Baseball Equipment Drive
 - \$12,160 new equipment and \$7,705 used equipment donated
- ND Cares:
 - 1,200+ Pink Out shirts sold
 - 69 sponsors secured
 - Schoolwide awareness events honoring 30 Heroes, Angels, and Warriors
 - Christmas Gift Drive supporting Notre Dame and Sprout U families
 - Have a Heart Day initiatives promoting prayer and reflection
 - Cancer care packages for Robert Wood Johnson and Capital Health
 - Scholarships and financial support for students and families in need

7. Care for God's Creation

- 20 chew toys donated to Hamilton Animal Shelter
- Environmental awareness and stewardship integrated through service learning initiatives
- Wine to Water filters providing sustainable access to clean drinking water
- Global outreach efforts emphasizing care for creation and human dignity
- 20,000 meals packaged for Rise Against Hunger

Formation Through Service

Beyond the numbers, Catholic Service Learning seeks to form students spiritually by inviting them to encounter Christ in others and respond with compassion and action. Throughout this year, students served children, families, hospital patients, seniors, individuals experiencing homelessness, workers, and vulnerable populations across our local and global communities.

Whether assembling care packages, raising funds, mentoring children, supporting hospitals, or advocating for justice, students were challenged to move beyond themselves and recognize the dignity of every person.

Together, our students did more than complete service projects—they became witnesses to faith in action. Through each act of compassion, generosity, and solidarity, they helped build a more just and loving community while allowing themselves to be transformed in the process.