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What's in a name? Everything! DOVE stands for the Division of Volunteer Efforts, one of the best parts of our University community. Through DOVE, we respond to the ongoing call for social justice by – literally and figuratively – “getting our hands dirty” to serve the people most in need. Stemming from our desire to affirm the dignity of every human person and to live as Christ taught us by putting our faith into action, DOVE is committed to forming compassionate individuals rooted in and guided by faith.

Through different events and programs all year, you'll have many opportunities to roll your sleeves up and help serve people in need, both on campus and abroad. Regardless of your service background or faith, there's something for everyone to get involved in – and we'll help you help others every step of the way.

Some of our biggest projects include Make1Take1, St. John's Soup Kitchen, Christmas Toy Drive, Seton Stories, Don Bosco Youth Center, and Service on Saturdays.

Founded in 1990, the Division of Volunteer Efforts (DOVE) at Seton Hall University coordinates a wide range of community service opportunities for students, fostering meaningful engagement with local nonprofit organizations, schools, libraries, food pantries, and more. Through both weekly programming and special service events, DOVE addresses various community needs, including food insecurity, support for the elderly, youth outreach, and environmental advocacy. DOVE is dedicated to building and maintaining strong relationships with community partners, providing students with hands-on service experiences that positively impact both the campus and surrounding areas.

DOVE comprises two wings of programming: **DOVE: Mission** and **DOVE: Service Learning**.

DOVE: Mission continues to offer traditional service events and volunteer opportunities to the general SHU student body.

DOVE: Service Learning offers experiences for students enrolled in Service Learning courses. This expansion enhances DOVE's commitment to developing students' understanding of the needs in our community through a lens of faith, deepening the connection between student learning and community action.