

Stronger **TOGETHER** For Worcester

2017 – 2018 Community Benefits Report



ASSUMPTION COLLEGE

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Mission Statement

Assumption College, a Catholic institution sponsored by the Augustinians of the Assumption and rooted in the Catholic intellectual tradition, strives to form graduates known for critical intelligence, thoughtful citizenship and compassionate service. We pursue these ambitious goals through a curriculum grounded in the liberal arts and extending to the domain of professional studies. Enlivened by the Catholic affirmation of the harmony of faith and reason, we aim, by the pursuit of the truth, to transform the minds and hearts of students. Assumption favors diversity and ecumenically welcomes all who share its goals.

CAMPUS COMMUNITY SERVICE GROUPS

- Assumption Athletics
- Campus Ministry
- Community Service Learning
- Reach Out Center
- Student Government Association

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FAST facts: 2017-2018

FINANCIAL AID

- :: 869
Number of students from Worcester County
- :: 289
Number of students from Worcester
- :: \$3,220,019
Amount of institutional aid to students from Worcester
- :: \$6,778,103
Amount of institutional aid to students from Worcester County
- :: 98%
Undergraduates who receive some form of financial aid

EMPLOYMENT

- :: \$7,502,382
Annual payroll for employees residing in the city of Worcester
- :: \$10,492,110
Annual payroll for employees residing in Worcester County (excluding Worcester)
- :: 300
Number of faculty/staff living in the city of Worcester and surrounding communities

PURCHASING

- :: \$6,651,361
Total capital expenditures paid to vendors in Worcester County
- :: \$5,908,065
Total capital expenditures paid to vendors in the city of Worcester
- :: \$58,176,187
Total capital expenditures paid to vendors in Worcester County over the last 10 years
- :: \$5,302,316
Total purchasing expenditures paid to vendors in the city of Worcester
- :: \$6,088,618
Total purchasing expenditures paid to vendors in Worcester County (excluding Worcester)

COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS

- :: \$25,000
Annual commitment to The Hanover Theatre
- :: \$62,956
Donations and in-kind gifts made to local nonprofits
- :: 173,250
Number of hours students contribute to community service
- :: 3,176
Number of student placements in organizations throughout Worcester County

INSTITUTIONAL FACTS

- :: 1904
Year Assumption College was Founded
- :: 1,930
Number of Undergraduates
- :: 395
Number of Graduate Students
- :: 147
Number of Continuing Education Students
- :: 35/47
Number of majors/minors

FEES/TAXES PAID TO THE CITY OF WORCESTER

- :: \$307,474
Water and sewer taxes
- :: \$18,000
Sewer Betterment Assessment
- :: \$10,400
Police Department coverage/costs
- :: \$1,260
Fire Department fees
- :: \$43,569
Property taxes
- :: \$9,551
Other fees
Parking lot license, certificates of inspection, plumbing fees, liquor license, filing fee, food permit, pool permit, lodging fee, and camp fees.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The formation of Assumption College students begins with imparting upon them a sense of purpose; to use their gifts and knowledge not only to advance a career, but also to make meaningful contributions to the world in which they live, in particular to those in the greatest of need. Through a number of endeavors that teach students the importance of thoughtful citizenship and compassionate service, Assumption students can be found in many areas of the city of Worcester applying their talents in service of others.

In this edition of the annual *Community Benefits Report*, we are pleased to share a few examples of our students demonstrating compassionate service – their way of embracing and acting upon a core theme of our mission statement. You will read about students who volunteer in local public schools teaching English to non-English speaking children or a coat drive to keep the homeless warm during Worcester’s frigid winters and much more. Assumption students do not engage in these service activities because they are required to; rather, they are compelled, as a result of the education they receive, to provide for our neighbors in need.

When students return from their community service endeavors, they are welcomed home to a campus that sponsors a number of events to which the greater Worcester community is always invited.

In May, Assumption introduced the Worcester community to a New York Metropolitan Opera tenor in our new Jeanne Y. Curtis Performance Hall in the Tsotsis Family Academic Center. During the construction phase, the new building contributed to the Worcester economy. Now, the building contributes to Worcester’s vibrant arts and culture scene with lectures, performances and more. From the Worcester Children’s Chorus, which has its official residence at the College, hosting a number of concerts demonstrating the vocal talent of the youth in our area, to the College’s concert-staged performance of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, the Jeanne Y. Curtis Performance Hall provides yet another venue for local residents to embrace and enjoy the arts.

Through service in the Worcester community and providing opportunities to engage with the arts and the intellectual life of the College, Assumption is proud of its immeasurable contributions to the city of Worcester and its residents.

Sincerely,

Francesco C. Cesareo

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President



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TEACHING ENGLISH to Worcester's Next Generation of Leaders

BY KAITLYN FRIEL '19

LEARNING TO WORK, INTERACT WITH, AND BE INSPIRED BY DIFFERENT CULTURES IS NOT ONLY CRITICAL TO ONE'S DEVELOPMENT, BUT ALSO AN IMPORTANT LIFE SKILL. This past spring, students enrolled in EDU302 Teaching English Language Learners (ELL), worked with students in 10 Worcester-area elementary, middle, and high schools. Throughout the semester, students assisted teachers, prepared lessons, and worked one on one with ELL students in the classroom.

"The most common misconception is that there doesn't need to be a specialized class for learning how to teach ELLs," said Assumption Education Professor Elizabeth Walsh. "Our hands-on work brings an extra set of hands to each classroom or program where we volunteer. The Assumption students are a consistent weekly presence in the schools, which directly benefits the English Language Learners. They form a nice relationship, set and achieve goals, and teach each other a great deal. Just a few minutes of extra assistance can make a substantial difference to an English Language Learner."

Elizabeth Browne '19, who is double majoring in elementary education with a concentration in STEM and classics with a concentration in Latin, volunteered at Canterbury Street Computer-Based Magnet School. "I have learned how different every English Language Learner is and how they all need different strategies and levels of support," she said. "It really takes getting



to know the child and working with them to figure out what works best for them."

Classmate **Stephanie Cota '19**, pictured above, an English and elementary education double major, also worked with students at Canterbury. Cota shared

she observed the students and their social norms – adopted from the culture in which they grew up – which helped her to customize lesson plans based on the students' abilities. "[This experience] taught me how difficult it can be to learn English," she said.

"I love [measuring the ELL students' progress] at the beginning of the semester compared to now to see how much each of the students has grown in confidence in speaking and comprehension of English."

This real-world experience is something Mary Sealey, principal of Canterbury Street Computer-Based Magnet School, feels is important for future teachers. "This is a valuable model for both the College and for Canterbury," she said. "There is a lot of value in the cycle of learning that exists among all three groups – Canterbury teachers, Assumption students, and Canterbury students – and each group provides valuable learning experiences for the other."

According to Prof. Walsh, Sealey isn't the only principal who enjoys and sees the benefits of hosting Assumption students. "Everyone is so grateful for the additional support in the classroom," she said. "They are also so pleased with the quality of work and professionalism of our students. I am delighted and confident to send our students out into the field every semester because I know that they are bringing the very best Assumption has to offer to the schools in our community."





Inspiring Future STEM LEADERS

MORE THAN 400 STUDENTS FROM ACROSS MASSACHUSETTS, WITH THEIR TEACHERS AND FAMILIES, GATHERED AT ASSUMPTION FOR THE MASSACHUSETTS MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE OLYMPIAD. The daylong competition included 23 events spanning all areas of science, from biology and chemistry to engineering and earth science, in which more than 30 middle school teams competed, including several from Worcester.

The Olympiad, founded in 1984, is a Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) focused competition that challenges 7,800 teams in all 50 states each year. According to Brian Niece, Ph.D., Assumption chemistry professor and this year's tournament site coordinator, the Science Olympiad events feature hands-on activities that challenge students to collaborate on laboratory experiments, demonstrate their engineering skills by testing devices they have designed and built, and show their knowledge in events such as Science Pictionary and Fast Facts.

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SERVING WORCESTER'S SCHOOLS

Assumption College students, faculty, and staff collaborate with a variety of schools and educational programs, including Worcester Public Schools (WPS) and Catholic schools in the region, to enhance educational opportunities in both formal academic settings and after-school programs. In addition to offering space to community organizations for little to no cost, the College also offers professional development workshops and tuition discounts for WPS, Worcester Diocese and Nativity School teachers.

Some of the schools and programs Assumption works with include:*

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| 1LT Charles W. Whitcomb School | Fall Brook Elementary School | Rockdale Recovery High School |
| Abby Kelley Foster Charter School | Flagg Street School | Saint John's High School |
| Albert S. Woodward Memorial School | Forest Avenue Elementary School | Saint Mary's School |
| Algonquin Regional High School | Forest Grove Middle School | Saint Peter Marian High School |
| Assumption School | Grafton High School | Sherwood Middle School |
| Auburn High School | Groton-Dunstable Regional High School | Shrewsbury High School |
| Auburn Middle School | The Hartwell School | Skribbles Learning Center |
| Ayer Shirley Regional High School | Henry P. Clough Elementary School | Sky View Middle School |
| Bartlett High School | Holy Name Central Catholic Junior/Senior High School | South High Community School |
| Behavioral Concepts, Inc. | Houghton Elementary School | Spectrum Health Systems |
| Burgess Elementary School | Hudson High School | Stacy Middle School |
| Burncoat High School | Joseph L. Mulready Elementary School | Stall Brook Elementary School |
| Burncoat Street Preparatory School | Knox Trail Junior School | Tahanto Regional Middle/High School |
| C.A. Farley Elementary School | Leominster High School | Tantasqua Regional High School |
| Central Massachusetts Preparatory Academy | Lincoln Street Elementary School | Tatnuck Magnet School |
| Central Massachusetts Special Education Collaborative | Major Edwards Elementary School | Thomas Prince School |
| Chandler Elementary Community School | Marlborough Early Childhood Center | Union Hill School |
| Charlton Street School | Mary E. Finn Elementary School | Venerini Academy |
| Claremont Academy | Milford High School | Wachusett Regional High School |
| Clinton Elementary School | Millbury Memorial Junior/Senior High School | West Boylston Middle/High School |
| Columbus Park Preparatory Academy | Nelson Place School | West Street School |
| Crossroads School | The New England Center for Children | The Whole Child, Inc |
| Devereux School | Norrback Avenue Elementary School | Woodland Academy |
| Diocese of Worcester Catholic Schools | Oak Middle School | Worcester Arts Magnet School |
| Dr. Arthur F. Sullivan Middle School | Oxford High School | Worcester East Middle School |
| Dr. Leroy E. Mayo Elementary School | P. Brent Trottier Middle School | Worcester Institute for Senior Education |
| Early Childhood Center | Quinsigamond Community College | Worcester Public Schools Transitions Program |
| Elm Park Community School | Rainbow Childhood Development Center | Worcester Vocational Technical High School |

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On-Campus Farmers' Markets

SUPPORT WORCESTER BUSINESSES, PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY

BY KAITLYN FRIEL '19

TO PROVIDE ASSUMPTION STUDENTS ACCESS TO FRESH LOCAL PRODUCE, the College's Greenhounds Club collaborated with a number of Worcester-based businesses – including BirchTree Bread Company, Dick's Market Garden and Greenhouse, Giacomo's Gourmet Granola, and The Living Earth – to offer a series of on-campus Farmers' Markets.



"We like these events because it's a big college city so we like to have college students coming to the store afterwards," explained Rob White of The Living Earth, a Worcester grocery store that partners with local farmers and food and wellness vendors to offer GMO-free and organic products for their

customers. White added that the new partnership with Assumption is a win-win situation: the Assumption community is provided with fresh, organic foods while businesses are afforded the opportunity to market their products to a new demographic.

The Greenhounds Club works to promote sustainable practices by hosting events that educate peers about environmental stewardship and engage the campus community in making positive change. **Jacqueline Ryan '19**, a Greenhounds member who coordinated the Farmers' Market, shared that the idea was discovered in a student survey. "The responses were overwhelmingly in favor of a Farmers' Market," she said. "It is good to have access to fresh food ... [and] it is a great way to connect with the farmers who are producing the food or the bakers making the bread. It builds a sense of connection with the Worcester community."

Brooke Mega '18 noted that the market is congruent with the College's mission. "Assumption is a school that emphasizes serving and reaching out to your community," she said. "The Farmers' Market is something that [fits that]."

"Each year 400 to 500 middle school students have a chance to participate in this program, developing their knowledge and skills, because of Assumption's support," said Prof. Niece. "The Science Olympiad is great preparation for college and a career in science. It is also a lot of fun for the students. They put a lot of work into preparing for their events, and the tournament is an exciting day for them as they get to show off their skills and accomplishments with kids from all the other schools who share their interests."

The middle school tournament has been held at Assumption since 2003, when Prof. Niece took over as state director, a position he held for 14 years before passing it to **Erin (Toohil) O'Hara '02, M.D.** O'Hara, who is a primary care physician for Heywood Medical Group in Westminster and Gardner, has been involved with the Science Olympiad since her first year at Assumption, assisting Prof. Niece with the event. O'Hara has instructed nurse practitioners and residents for many years, explaining that teaching is "in her blood," and her admiration for the amount of enthusiasm the Science Olympiad students bring to the Olympiad inspires her to do whatever she can to keep the program going in Massachusetts.

"Assumption hosting the Science Olympiad every year is a wonderful tradition," said O'Hara. "It shows Assumption's willingness to give back to the community and further the education of our participants. We not only use the Assumption campus and buildings, but we also have students and professors giving their time to help us run the events. It embodies the spirit of Assumption that drew me to the College as a student and also makes me proud to call myself an alumna."

ENHANCING WORCESTER'S ARTS SCENCE

Art brings us together and helps us understand who we really are. Offering arts and cultural programming is an important part of Assumption's mission and contribution to the community.

Some of the programs and events that Assumption has offered to the community this past year:*

Theatre Performances

Spring Musical Production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*

Assumption College is proud to serve as the home of the Worcester Children's Chorus.

d'Alzon Arts series

Alumni Art Show

Student Art & Design Show

West Boylston Painters

Presidential Lecture Series

Fr. Edward Beck, C.P. '80

Carlos Eire, Ph.D.

Anthony Esolen, Ph.D.

HumanArts Series

The BACH Consort of Worcester

"Beyond Rhetoric: Tracing Women's Activities in the Cityscape of late Archaic and early Classical Athens" by Dr. Lisa Nevett

Classical Guitar Virtuoso by Eliot Fisk

European Salon Concert

"An Evening of Poetry and Prose" with Assumption College Professor John Hodgen and novelist Christie Hodgen

French Organist Frédéric Rivoal performance

"War, Love, Victory: From Inanna/Ishtar to Venus Victoria" lecture by Stephanie Lynn Budin

Assumption College Performances

Assumption College Band

Assumption College Chorale

Assumption College Jazz Ensemble

Assumption College String Camerata

Faculty Concerts

Hound Sound a cappella group

Lessons and Carols

Ecumenical Institute

The Bishop Flanagan Lecture by Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at Boston College Candace Hetzner, Ph.D., "An Orthodox College?"

Constitution Day Presentation by Harvard University Professor Harvey Mansfield, Ph.D., "The Soul of the American Constitution"

Emmanuel d'Alzon Lecture by Skidmore College Professor Flagg Taylor, Ph.D., "Education, Ideology, and the Retreat from Personhood"

Marie Eugénie Milleret Lecture by Washington University in St. Louis Professor John Klein, Ph.D., "Sacred Shoebox: Matisse's Vence Chapel"

Rabbi Klein Lecture by Tulane University Professor Ronna Burger, Ph.D., "The Fall from our Ancient Nature: Plato's Aristophanic Speech on Eros and the Biblical Story of Adam and Eve"

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ASSUMPTION PROVIDES Premier Entertainment to the Community

In less than a year, the Jeanne Y. Curtis Performance Hall has become a premier site for the performing arts in Worcester. The 400-seat, state-of-the-art hall boasts the most sophisticated sound system of any college or university on the Eastern seaboard, creating an environment that rivals renowned concert halls to host a variety of performances – including those from elite opera stars.

In March, Assumption hosted a concert featuring its Chorale and special guest New York Metropolitan Opera tenor Matthew Polenzani. The melodious voices of Polenzani and the Chorale, under guest director **Richard Monroe '85**, were accentuated by the beautiful acoustics of the hall and the accompaniment of a new Steinway concert piano. The program included selections from both Italian and Irish culture in addition to a number of classic Broadway pieces.

The Grammy-nominated Polenzani – who has performed before audiences throughout the world and traveled to Zurich to debut as Rodolfo in Verdi's *Luisa Miller* following his Assumption performance – called the evening a "gift" and felt extremely welcomed by the local community. Polenzani, an arts aficionado, applauded the College's vision to create a venue to showcase various performances for the Worcester community. "We have a duty to children to promote a love of music and to help people understand that music is a beautiful and unifying element of life," he said.

Following the successful Polenzani performance, the College presented a concert-staged performance of Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor*

Dreamcoat in the Hall. Members of the Assumption College Chorale and student actors performed lead roles during the shows before friends, family, and many members of the Worcester community.

"The new performance hall is a fitting space to showcase the depth of talent at Assumption while demonstrating the College's commitment to the performing arts and providing the community opportunities to enjoy such performances," said Monroe.



LENDING EXPERTISE to Worcester's Vibrant Arts and Culture Communities

When **Jennifer Sarno '18** applied for her internship with the Worcester Cultural Coalition (WCC), she was provided more than an opportunity to employ what she learned in the classroom in a professional environment. As the marketing intern for WCC, a nonprofit organization sponsored by the Cultural Development Division at City Hall, Sarno empowered the WCC in its mission to promote arts and culture in the city of Worcester by managing their social media platforms, reviewing engagement on those platforms, and writing biweekly newsletters, among other duties.



Credit: Louie Despres, www.louiedespres.com

co-working, performance, and creative entrepreneurship, Sarno's internship came "at a vital point in our progress. Her work preparing the PopUp for its grand opening was vital to the overall goals of the evening: to engage the audience and to create an environment that felt welcoming. Her project, the mobile programming wall, is still in use today. It has been a highlight for our patrons and a great avenue for us into the programming desires of our community."

"I feel very thankful to have had [this opportunity] and I can't wait to take what I have learned here and use it in my future endeavors," Sarno added.

"Not only did I gain skills in a field that I am interested in, but I have learned how to work well in a collaborative and encouraging environment," said Sarno, who graduated in May and is pursuing an M.B.A. as part of Assumption's accelerated program. "This internship piqued a new and profound interest in digital marketing, and has changed the course I am setting for my future."

According to Hank VonHellion, programming managing director at the Worcester PopUp, a space dedicated to collaborative

PARTNERING WITH THE WORCESTER COMMUNITY

Assumption proactively seeks to engage with the greater Worcester community and encourages city residents to visit campus for events and programs. The College is also proud to collaborate with numerous Worcester and Worcester County programs and serve as host for a number of cultural and educational community events.

Some of the many local groups to which the College provides time, space, and assistance include:*

- Adopt-A-Student Program
- Alcoholics Anonymous
- ALPHA Retreat
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Massachusetts/Metrowest
- Boy Scouts of America – Mohegan Council
- Catholic Charities Worcester County
- City of Worcester Election Commission (polling location)
- Diocese of Worcester
- Diocese of Worcester Annual Men's Conference
- Diocese of Worcester School Committee
- Dollars for Scholars
- Emmanuel Radio
- First Friday Club of Worcester
- HECCMA (Higher Education Consortium Central Massachusetts)
- Hispanics Achieving and Celebrating Excellence
- Holy Name Central Catholic Junior/Senior High School
- American Diabetes Association of Massachusetts
- MLK Breakfast Committee
- Nativity School of Worcester
- Notre Dame Academy
- Redemptoris Mater Archdiocesan Missionary Seminary
- Regional Environmental Council
- Saint Anne – Saint Patrick Parish
- Saint John's High School
- Saint Paul Catholic Schools Consortium
- Saint Peter-Marian Junior/Senior High School
- Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur
- Saint Mary's High School
- Temple Emanuel Sinai
- Thomas S. Green Awards
- United Way of Central Massachusetts
- WCUW Radio
- Worcester Art Museum
- Worcester Children's Chorus
- Worcester County Superintendents' Association
- Worcester Education Collaborative
- Worcester JCC
- Worcester Local First
- Worcester Public Schools
- Worcester Public Schools Transitions Program
- Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce, Inc.
- Worcester Regional Research Bureau
- YOU, Inc.

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WARMING THE HEARTS of Worcester Residents with HIV

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE CALLS STUDENTS TO DEMONSTRATE COMPASSIONATE SERVICE, TO GIVE OF THEMSELVES, AND TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THEIR COMMUNITY. Each year, students engage in more than 100,000 hours of service.

During the recent spring semester, Assistant Professor of Biology Aisling Dugan, Ph.D., not only offered her BIO410 Introductory Immunology students the opportunity to learn about HIV and its effects on the immune system, but the chance to collaborate with AIDS Project Worcester (APW) for a first-hand educational experience.

Students spent the semester visiting the organization's facilities, where services are provided

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GIVING BACK TO THOSE IN NEED

A key element of the Assumption College mission is for students to engage in compassionate service during their time in Worcester and throughout their lives. Whether students volunteer via the Reach Out Center, Campus Ministry, as a member of an intercollegiate athletic team, or through a community service learning class, they gladly offer their skills, talents and hearts to make a difference in the community.

Some of the many organizations in the Worcester community, and beyond, which have benefitted from this work are:*

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| A Bout to Benefit | Guild of Saint Agnes | St. Anne's Human Services |
| African Community Education | Habitat for Humanity | St. Francis & St. Therese Catholic Worker |
| American Antiquarian Society | Hector Reyes House | St. Peter's Afterschool Mentoring Program |
| Ascentria Care Alliance | Jewish Healthcare Center | Swim Across America Inc. |
| Autism Speaks Walk | Make-A-Wish Stars for Wishes | Team IMPACT |
| The BASE | Matthew 25 | The Community Builders – Plumley Village |
| Big Brothers Big Sisters of America (Flagg Street School) | Mount Sinai Hospital | Toys for Tots Foundation |
| Book Buddies (Nelson Place School) | Nativity School of Worcester | Training Resources of America, Inc. |
| Boys & Girls Club | Notre Dame du Lac | WCUW 91.3FM |
| Boy Scouts of America | Operation Christmas Child – Samaritan's Purse | Why Me & Sherry's House |
| Cathedral of St. Paul | Our Lady of the Angels Church | The Willows Retirement Community |
| Children's Medical Center at UMass Medical Center | Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital for Children | Worcester Housing Authority |
| Community Harvest 5k and Festival | Pernet Family Health Service | Worcester Senior Center |
| Community Harvest Project Inc. | Positive Directions Behavioral Services | Worcester Women's Oral History Project |
| EcoTarium | Postcards for Pizza | Working for Worcester |
| Fall Harvest Festival | Quinsigamond Lake Clean Up | Writing Letters to Parkland |
| Field of Dreams | Rainbow Childhood Development Center | YMCA of Central Massachusetts |
| Food Recovery Network (St. John's Food for the Poor) | Refugee & Immigrant Assistance Center | |
| Foundations of Faith (St. Mary's Parish) | Regional Environmental Council | |
| Friendly House Worcester | Relay for Life | |
| Friends of Newton Hill | Salvation Army Worcester Citadel | |
| Girls Inc. of Worcester | Seven Hills Foundation | |
| | Skribbles Learning Center | |

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COLLABORATING WITH WORCESTER BUSINESSES

Through internships, practice and work-study programs, Assumption students collaborate with Worcester-area businesses and organizations in a mutually beneficial collaboration that helps both parties reach their full potential.

Some of the organizations that benefit from these partnerships:*

Action! Worcester	IBM	Stutman Contracting, Inc.
Agilux Laboratories	Insurance Marketing Agencies	Summit ElderCare
Alexander, Aronson, Finning & Co, P.C.	Jewish Healthcare Center	Sutton School District
AlphaGraphics Worcester	Jewish Community Center	Thayer Symphony Orchestra
Alternatives Unlimited, Inc.	JumpStart	The Arc
Atlas Distributing, Inc	Kathy Chapman, RE/MAX	The Bridge of Central Massachusetts
Auburn Youth & Family Services, Inc.	Kforce Staffing & Solutions	The Hanover Insurance Group, Inc.
Bayard, Inc.	Liberty Mutual Insurance	The Key Program, Inc.
Behavioral Concepts, Inc.	LUK, Inc.	The Queen's Cups
Blue Moon Bagel Café	Major League Lacrosse	Thom Child & Family Services
The Boynton Restaurant & Spirits	Massachusetts Department of Children & Families	Tissue Culture and Enzyme Freezer Supply at UMass Medical School
BrenTuning LLC	Massachusetts Firefighting Academy	U-Haul Car Share
Burncoat Family Center	Massachusetts General Hospital	UltraBenefits, Inc.
Catholic Relief Services	Massachusetts Port Authority	UMass Medical School Emergency Medicine Research Assistant Program (EMRAP)
Center for Living & Working, Inc.	Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission	UMass Memorial Health Care
Central Massachusetts Agency on Aging	Massachusetts State House	University of Massachusetts Medical School
Central Mass Physical Therapy	Massachusetts State Police	Unum
CharterTV3	Matt Carroll Strength & Conditioning	Venerini Academy
Children's Friend, Inc.	Mid-State Insurance Agency, Inc.	Wachusett Mountain Ski Area
Classic Suites & Inns	Motivating Youth Recovery	Wakefly Inc.
Cleanse Fine Auto Detailing	NAL's Paint Center	Walden Behavioral Care, LLC
Commerce Bank & Trust Company	New England Baseball Complex	Why Me & Sherry's House
Community Healthlink, Inc.	New England Roast Beef	Worcester Art Museum
Crawford Truck Sales	New England Symphony Orchestra	Worcester Bravehearts
Cunningham & Associates, LLC	North Brookfield Elementary School	<i>Worcester Business Journal</i>
Eisenberg Assisted Living Residence	O'Connor, Maloney, and Company, P.C.	Worcester District Court
Elite Gymnastics Academy	Pernet Family Health Service	Probation Department
Enlightened Interventions, LLC	Prudential Advisors	Worcester Fire Department
Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Red Hat	Worcester Housing Authority
Exceed Sports Performance & Fitness	Reliant Medical Group	Worcester Physical Therapy Services
Expose Yourself Public Relations	Sereni Salon & Spa	Worcester Rainers Hockey Club
Family Continuity	Seven Hills Foundation	Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce, Inc.
Fitivity	Shrewsbury Youth & Family Services, Inc.	<i>Worcester Telegram & Gazette</i>
French Knot	Smith, Sullivan & Brown, PC	Worcester Trial Court
Genesis Club, Inc.	South Bay Community Services	YOU, Inc.
Greendale Physical Therapy, LLC	South County Housing	Zounds Hearing Center
Guardian Life Insurance Company of America	Saint-Gobain North America	
Habitat for Humanity	St. Peter's Catholic Church	
The Hector Reyes House	Strongwater Farm Therapeutic Equestrian Center	

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to those with HIV, and developing resource and awareness materials for homeless and at-risk individuals in Worcester. Students also organized a coat and warm clothing drive at Assumption, in which they developed, organized, and promoted the collection across campus. Prof. Dugan estimated that in total the students collected 12 boxes of warm clothing and boots.

"AIDS Project Worcester and our clients are absolutely grateful for the hard work put in by the Assumption College students," said Lamar J. Brown, community relations manager for APW. "The donation of warm clothing articles helped us give a sense of comfort and a chance at surviving the brutal cold to our clients, especially those suffering from homelessness. The social resource guide compiled by the students has significantly increased our ability to navigate the services available to assist clients. This has also empowered clients to be able to self-access many of these programs."

Prof. Dugan believes that learning should not be limited to the confines of a classroom.

"Our Community Service Learning (CSL) component was vital to demonstrating the real, human story behind the basic biology of HIV that we explore in the classroom," she said. "Meeting people living with HIV at APW ... and hearing about APW's mission reinforce the importance of infectious disease and immunological research in the development of new medicines and the future of curing this disease. I believe students gained a deeper understanding that HIV infection is a real disease affecting the lives of real people. The CSL component may empower some students to realize that they can make a small, positive impact on this community and other communities with their time and energy."



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