SLO Cycle Assessment Form

1. Course Number & Date form was completed	Course: POLS 102	Date: February 17, 2012				
2. People involved in summarizing & evaluating data (minimum of two)	Gaylla Finnell, Kevin White, Eric Jacobson, Tim Ballard, Marilyn Boyle, Adam Ekins, Jose Landeros, Raul Navarro, Norma Villicana					
3. Semester data were collected (e.g., Spring 2011)	Fall 2011					
4. Please list the SLO(s) that was (were) assessed. Write it out.	SLO 2: Participate in activities that promote the public good (e.g., the voting process, jury duty, community service)					
5. List all forms of assessment that were used for this cycle assessment	Student survey					
6. Data results Briefly summarize the data.	 The goal of POLS 102 is to foster informed, responsible participation in public life. In furtherance of this goal, SLO 2 enables students to experience activities that promote the public good. 311 students in POLS 102 performed a total of 3,987 hours of community service, approximately 12.8 hours per student. 94% of the students stated that the experience improved their understanding of the needs and issues in our community, state and/or nation. 76% of the students stated that the experience improved their understanding of government and public policies. 92% of the students stated that performing community service was a good or very good experience. 90% of the students stated that they recommend community service projects for future POLS 102 students. 					

 7a. Course/Program Improvements Please describe what change(s) you plan to implement based on the above results 7b. Will this include a change to the curriculum (i.e., course outline)? Yes NoX 8. When SLOs were previously 	Overall, a majority of students felt that the community service experience enhanced their classroom learning, improving their understanding of the needs and issues in our communities/state/nation (94%), and their understanding of government and public policies (76%). In an attempt to get a higher percentage of students experiencing increased improvement of understanding of government and public policies, instructors will meet to discuss ways to more effectively connect the community service activities to government and public policy issues.
 written, Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILOs) were identified as part of that process. How did the SLO(s) contribute to student acquisition of the Institutional Learning Outcome(s) (ILOs)? For example, if ILO #1 (communication skills) was identified as being related to this SLO, then please write a sentence or two supporting the relationship. IVC's 5 ILOs: ILO1 = Communication Skills ILO2 = Critical Thinking Skills ILO3 = Personal Responsibility ILO4 = Information Literacy ILO5 = Global Awareness 	 ILO1 – Communication Skills Students were required to interact with community members, work with other people, and communicate with others regarding their community service activities. Communication skills were required in various forms throughout the activities. ILO3 – Personal Responsibility Students were required to follow guidelines and complete tasks in a timely manner. Each student was personally responsible for their portion of the activity to insure project success. ILO5 – Global Awareness Students developed increased awareness of community, state and/or national issues through the community service activities.

9. Next year Was the process effective? Will you change the outcome/assessment (e.g., alter the SLO, assessment, faculty discussion process, strategy for providing SLO to students)? If so, how?	Since we rotate our course SLO's each year, SLO 2 will not be assessed again until Fall 2014. Prior to assessing SLO 2 in Fall 2014, instructors will meet to discuss the data from Fall 2011 and make adjustments as deemed appropriate at that time.
10. After Thoughts	Even though there is some student resistance to
Feel free to celebrate, vent,	performing community service, we are pleased to see that
or otherwise discuss the	a large majority of the students participating felt that the
process	activities enhanced their learning experience.

Imperial Valley College Political Science Department

SLO ASSESSMENT SURVEY RESULTS – FALL 2011

POLS 102: American Government & Politics

Faculty teaching POLS 102: American Government & Politics in Fall 2011 participated in the assessment of the following course Student Learning Outcome:

SLO 2: Participate in activities that promote the public good (e.g., the voting process, jury duty, community service)

ISLO1 – Communication Skills ISLO3 – Personal Responsibility ISLO5 – Global Awareness

The Fall 2011 course offerings of POLS 102 included eighteen (18) sections, offered by nine (9) faculty members (three full-time faculty and six part-time faculty). The Student Learning Outcome was demonstrated by the following tasks:

1. Students were to participate in activities that promote the public good as assigned by their instructor.

4. Students were to take a survey at the end of the class to assess the SLO activities.

Student Survey Results

360 students participated in the survey. 311 students completed 3,987 hours of community service, averaging approximately 12.8 hours per student. 49 students did not participate in the community service assignment.

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				YES	Unknown	
1 Was community service required in your POLS 102 course this semester?				r?	99%	1%
				YES	NO	
2 Did you participate in your course community service assignment?		86%	14%			
					YES	NO
3	Did the experience improve your understanding of the needs and issues in our community, state and/or nation?			94%	6%	
	4 Did the experience improve your understanding of government and public policies?				YES	NO
4					76%	24%
	E Would you recommend community service projects for future POLS 102			YES	NO	
5	5 students?			90%	10%	
	Which of the following terms best describes your	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor
	community service experience?	64%	28%	7%	.5%	.5%

1. I collected 42 letters, folded letters, and made boxes on Saturday. 2. I collected candy, wrote a letter to a troop. 3. I look for donations (candies, cash, or letters) with my friends and relatives, and they donated bags of candies. 4. Sorting and packaging of candy along with breaking down the room at the end. 5. money for postage Just explained my project to my family and friends and they were happy to help me. 6. 7. I asked for people to donate candy and I asked some of my family to write letters. 8. Pack the candy, the letters, and post the stickers on the mailed out boxes. :) 9. I donated Letters for our troops 10. Helped pack the bagged candy into the shipping boxes and also helped fill out the customs forms to send to the troops. 11. Well I was just going to collect donations from everyone, but then I decided to actually write a letter myself. Luckily my family is very supportive and also wrote some letters. I also asked to local youth group if they would be willing to donate candy and without hesitation they did. Also one of my aunts donated money so that the donations could be shipped to the soldiers. 12. I collected \$15, retrieved 5 letters, and collect 10 bags of candy. 13. I collected letters and candy from my son's 5th grade class! The students wrote great letters, and were excited about the project!

What activities did you do for your community service hours?

- 14. My daughters and I folded letters and put the candy in the containers.
- 15. I gather 20 letters for the soldiers from kids and family they really enjoyed writing to the soldiers. And many of them put their email address because they wanted answers back or to be friends with them on their spare time.
- 16. Collected hand written letters from family members and friends. Collected bags of candies from family and friends.
- 17. Solicited letters, donations and candy from family members and co-workers, to include my wife's co-workers.
- 18. I did the candy donations.
- 19. Putting thank you cards and letters in the candy bags.
- 20. I collected candy, letters, and money to send to our troops. I wanted to help package them as well but, I had prior responsibilities that day to help my church with one of their annual fundraisers.
- 21. I collect letters and candy
- 22. I folded letters, bagged candy, and took out the extra letters to put into the boxes.
- 23. Collected candies, letters, and postage donations.
- 24. I packed candy in boxes, helped cleaning up and carried boxes to the van.
- 25. I gathered letters from people and I got candy donations. I also helped package the candy to send to the troops it was a lot of fun for a good cause.
- 26. I collected letters from high school students for the troops.
- 27. I wrote a letter for a soldier and got several letters written by kids to the soldiers as well. I asked some friends to donate candy for the soldiers. I also went last Saturday, October 15th, to the Veterans Hall in Imperial, CA to fill out the postal forms to send out the treats to the troops.
- 28. I liked the activity very much. I think it was a little token of appreciation we demonstrated to the soldiers for their fine service to our nation.
- 29. I wrote a one page letter and collected over \$70 in donations.
- 30. Collect candy and letters.
- 31. I got people to donate 20 bags of candy
- 32. I didn't do any activities
- 33. I collected handwritten letters from 1st grade students and collected Halloween candies for the soldiers.
- 34. I assisted in separating candy bags into buckets, I also assisted in putting candy bags together, moving full buckets of candy over to a table, assisted in bringing boxes full of candy closer and set on tables for the girls that were writing addresses and helped move the completed boxes over to the north wall. Helped clean up and move boxes full of candy into transporting van, helped load tables into truck. I forgot, I also help eat the delicious pizza.
- 35. I helped out the teacher and with the children. I played with them, had fun. I really enjoyed spending time with children.
- 36. I take care of preschool kids.
- 37. I assisted students reading in pronunciation and comprehension. I assisted students with English and other homework from school.

- 38. I mentored children.
- 39. I helped the Cancer Society, helped do dinners for people of the Association.
- 40. Serve food to needy people.
- 41. I volunteered at Birth Choice.
- 42. I completed by community service hours at Calexico High School. I assisted my Latin American Theater Instructor in theater class. I cleaned, I painted stage backdrops, and helped students with their lines.
- 43. Interact with the little kids and help out the teacher in any way I could.
- 44. Helped.
- 45. I went to the Salvation Army and did cleaning in the store.
- 46. Helped out in the child development center.
- 47. I helped on the Humane Society in El Centro. I help feeding and taking care of the animals.
- 48. Mentor kids, help in office, etc.
- 49. Gave a Thanksgiving lunch to homeless and seniors who don't have families or money to eat on that day.
- 50. I help patients eat their meals, wash up, walk around and talked with them.
- 51. I helped at the IVC preschool center. They were several activities such as drawing, playing, cutting, counting and a lot more.
- 52. I went on a police ride along with the Calexico Police Department and observed them perform their duties. I also participated with the Calexico Police Explorers.
- 53. Prepare turkeys for homeless. Put boxes in storage for salvation. Data entry for Campus Life.
- 54. Serving at LDS Church related with children and serving as a Cub Scouts leader in the community.
- 55. I helped my mother's Soroptimist group with a domestic violence forum, with her reunion party, and I served Thanksgiving dinner to those less fortunate.
- 56. Issued visitor passes, learned what the students standards met by looking at each individual student file. Answered questions or concerns that both parents and or students.
- 57. I went to Calexico High School and help out on a very important play design the stage and helped out the students.
- 58. Served those in need by receiving donations and giving them up to salvation army and make sure to have those in need feel everything was good.
- 59. Enrolled with children, help organize materials, making copies, organizing paper, works from children.
- 60. General maintenance and grading at a public elementary school.
- 61. Sorted out clothes, received donations, did pick up donations to houses.
- 62. Took care of children, read books, supervised them to prevent accidents.
- 63. I was tutoring in an elementary school.
- 64. I washed dishes. I cleaned the floor, and I put food in the refrigerator.
- 65. Watch the children, clean, cut projects, encourage kids to eat their food, put them to sleep.
- 66. Help a Spanish teacher in high school.
- 67. Took care of children, participated in activities, helped teacher.
- 68. We had to put out the clothing and there at the thrift store for the people to buy.
- 69. Package and box food for the less fortunate as well as collect food.
- 70. Play with kids, wash dishes.
- 71. Helped students from the 1st & 2nd grade with their homework.
- 72. I helped clean up the place and created a flyer.
- 73. I worked at the Salvation Army store and I helped with Thanksgiving Dinner.
- 74. I fed the homeless.
- 75. Participation in musical part; maintenance; filing; attending services.
- 76. I cleaned floors, decorated tables, and served food on Thanksgiving Day.
- 77. I helped Captain Vickey to accommodate food for the Thanksgiving dinner. I helped by moping and taking boxes of food.
- 78. I helped the day care in IVC.
- 79. I went to the daycare at IVC and took care of the kids.
- 80. I helped give out food to the elders, cleaned after them, and supervised if they needed anything.
- 81. I took care of the elderly. Talk, play bingo, and clean for them.
- 82. Help children in day care play with them and be around them.
- 83. I helped a student take care of her children at IVC.
- 84. Clean and organize at church.
- 85. I went to Salvation Army as a volunteer in the store.
- 86. Helped at a Christian center.

- 87. Helped at the thrift store.
- 88. I worked the elections.
- 89. Care little kids, join time with them and help them with their homework.
- 90. Helped my high school's booster club.
- 91. Helped filing applications for Christmas Toys. Made and prepared turkeys for Thanksgiving Day. Gave snacks to the homeless.
- 92. Help doing food pantries, filling forms for toys for people with low income, help in the kitchen.
- 93. Helped children with school supplies, donate holiday gifts, participated in a charity event.
- 94. Helped patients get registered, filing, answered phones.
- 95. We interact with children from preschool and newborns.
- 96. Assist a family with special needs.
- 97. I helped cook and serve for the homeless and people that could not afford a Thanksgiving Dinner at the Community Center with Neighborhood House.
- 98. I prepared care packages for families in need, helped out in different stations, cooking, face painting, organizing an event.
- 99. Take care of children, clean toys, play with the children, organize toys, activities, papers. Clean room.
- 100. I help take care of children. I played with them and feed them.
- 101. I was with preschool kids and I made sure no one would get hurt and joined them in their regular activities.
- 102. I went to hospital and help people.
- 103. Load/unload goods, sort arrange, clean, and organize goods.
- 104. Receive, deliver, charge and discharge merchandise at Salvation Army.
- 105. I helped a kindergarten teacher.
- 106. Helped in elementary school.
- 107. Helped ESL students at IVC.
- 108. Held a conference for the Calexico FFA on how to raise animals for the Fair.
- 109. Took care of preschool children.
- 110. Completed survey cards, input cancer patient information into system, made copies, filing.
- 111. I volunteered at a preschool.
- 112. Volunteered at McKinley Center Head Start.
- 113. Walked dogs and interact with abused animals.
- 114. Helped at IVC preschool.
- 115. I worked with kids at a day care.
- 116. I volunteered at the IVC preschool.
- 117. Tutoring, supervision, mentoring sports with kids.
- 118. I interacted with children and make some activities with them.
- 119. I helped with children.
- 120. Helping a food bank.
- 121. Helped out in events for a non-profit organization.
- 122. Helped at the Humane Society.
- 123. I took care of children.
- 124. We went to the food bank and packed cans and food for needy people.
- 125. Worked at the IVC preschool.
- 126. Assisted disabled people.
- 127. Sort our clothes and packages.
- 128. Assisted a non-profit organization with children who have an incarcerated parent.
- 129. Prepare food and deliver food to the poor in Mexicali.
- 130. Worked at a preschool.
- 131. I helped update a website and designed brochures/pamphlets for a non-profit.
- 132. I participated in the "Dia Del Nino" Calexico Celebration as well as the celebration for Mother's Day.
- 133. Helped with a girls' soccer team.
- 134. Paint.
- 135. Worked at the Salvation Army.
- 136. Taught guitar to kids with cancer.
- 137. I cut grass and washed cars.
- 138. Helped with the SHS Booster Club.

139. Tutoring.

140. Painting. 141. I painted a room for a childcare called CHARLEE. 142. Church fundraising. 143. Volunteered at ARC-IV, helping people with special needs. 144. Volunteered with alternative education. 145. Food bank. Put away food, helped those in need. 146. Helped out at a food kitchen at Christ Community Church. 147. Turkey Drive, feed needy on Thanksgiving, and a drive call feed the Hungry Children. 148. Helped with Veteran's Day luncheon. 149. Helped at a baseball tournament. 150. Fed dogs, walked dogs, cleaned cages. 151. Volunteered at the Humane Society. 152. Assembled playground equipment for a church. 153. Helped feed the homeless. 154. Helped decorate for holidays and prepared for Christmas parade. 155. I participated in a meeting to choose delegates for the "Union of Campesinos." 156. Helped in a classroom. 157. Helped raise funds for cancer research. 158. Helped at the Humane Society. 159. Served lunch to veterans on Veterans' Day. 160. Helped out at Children's Church. 161. Volunteered at the Humane Society. 162. Helped at a golf tournament to help the less fortunate. 163. Helped at the Salvation Army. 164. I went to a march against the domestic violence. 165. Volunteered at the Food Bank. 166. Volunteered at the Family Treehouse. 167. Helped out in the El Centro Christmas Parade, and at the Imperial Aviation Day. 168. Helped at the Oktoberfest at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. 169. Volunteered at Cattle Call. 170. Attended County Board of Supervisors meeting. 171. Cancer Awareness in Calexico. 172. Thanksgiving in Niland. 173. Thanksgiving in Niland. Toys for Tots. 174. Helped in school of my son. 175. Thanksgiving in Niland. Christmas Toys for Tots. 176. Votina. 177. Volunteered to clean at my local church. Christmas toy drive. 178. Wal-Mart turkey drive. Toys for Tots. 179. Turkey Drive. 180. Go to Niland and help out for Thanksgiving. 181. Humane Society. Clean dog & cat feces, interact with the animals. 182. I volunteered at the I.V. Humane Society. 183. Helped out in a place called Neighborhood House. 184. Helped in a church for Halloween festival. 185. Helped at the Brawley Union High preschool. 186. Helped teachers. 187. I translated for non-English speakers things they had to do in Spanish. 188. I graded papers for a nursing class in BUHS. 189. Assisted teacher with correcting papers, CPR & First Aid training. 190. Volunteered at Sure Helpline. 191. Walked dogs. 192. Paint walls. Prepare Thanksgiving food for the needy. 193. Assistant coach for BUHS Mock Trial. 194. Teen mentor.

195. Salvation Army.

196. Visited an orphanage and helped with children.

197. Picked up donations.

198. Tutored and helped teachers.

199. Helped special education class.

200. Volunteered for Planned Parenthood.

201. Tutored non-English speakers.

202. Asked for donations.

203. Worked in a library.

204. Volunteered at the community garden in El Centro.

205. Worked at a thrift store.

206. Helped a church.

207. Cleaned graffiti from walls in Calexico.

208. Volunteered at WomanHaven.

209. Worked in St. Mary's church office.

210. Helped put up signed in hospital.

211. Volunteered at Sonny Bono Wildlife Refuge Center. Volunteered at El Centro Medical Childcare Center.

212. Collected donations for Salvation Army's Thrift Store.

213. IVC Cleanup, adopt-a-highway.

214. Adopt-a-Highway and school cleanup.

215. Helped teens with problems.

216. Volunteered at the American Cancer Society.

217. Fundraising.

218. Went with missionaries from my church.

219. Helped with the community blood drive.

220. I coached local pop warner football and helped kids.

221. Helped with club fundraising.

222. Worked with students.

223. I helped with kids at my local church.

224. I gave piano lessons to children and young adults.

225. I helped raise money for the IVC daycare.

226. Helped with fundraising.

227. Helped file and watched a video.

Additional comments regarding your community service experience:

1. I really enjoyed this project especially when I saw all of the people at the packaging. It's nice to see the community to come together for such a great cause.

2. This is a great thing to do, especially for those troops who have been away from home for many months. I'm so glad I could contribute to such a great cause! Excellent job Mrs. Finell :).

3. I had no contacts with anyone who would donate candy other than myself.

4. I really enjoyed helping out pack the candy and letter for this service project. I also enjoyed asking for the donations, which Dool Elementary School helped me out a lot. :)

5. It was a very rewarding experience.

6. I truly enjoyed doing this. I had never heard of this project before and when I was asking for candy from family and friends, I was able to tell this about this project and what it does. It is nice to be involved in things like this.

7. I enjoyed the project very much. I made me take a step back and realize that I take things for granted most of the time. That it is because of our soldiers fighting I get to live a comfortable and happy life.

8. It was a rewarding experience and a big eye opener for me. I realized that even educators are less involved or as involved as the majority of their fellow students.

9. This was a great project that I am honored to have been a part of. I only wish I had made it to Imperial on Saturday! I had planned all along to take my son too. But, sickness got the best of us this weekend. It was wonderful to see the willingness and excitement of the students and teacher that I asked to be involved in this project. Looking back, I wish I would have approached the Superintendent and had the whole school participate... lesson learned there! It proves we should be involved, and you may be surprised just how many people would also like to get involved in one way or another!

- 10. My daughters and I enjoyed this activity. I think that the service project was a beautiful experience for us, especially for my children because they started to know the value that our troops have. Congratulations Mrs. Finnell.
- 11. That all people appreciated what soldiers do for us and everybody cooperated.
- 12. I feel very honored to have served in this project and to be able to serve the service members overseas.
- 13. Had this project not been mentioned or offered in the class it wouldn't have crossed my mind you do such a thing. It was a great experience and honor to have participated in this project.
- 14. I believe it was a wonderful idea. It gave me an opportunity to do something for the people in our country. Thank you for letting us in this wonderful experience.
- 15. I really enjoy participating in this project because I could see my friends very interested to help and donate candies. It's amazing that we can send to the troops just a little of a lot of things they do for this country.
- 16. We had a wonderful experience. Meeting and thanking all of the service men and women definitely added to the positive atmosphere that was already there.
- 17. I enjoyed it very much
- 18. I like this project it help you a lot in your way of view your country.
- 19. I enjoyed volunteering and giving back to our troops. The experience was great and would recommend this to anyone who cares about people putting their lives on the line for our freedom.
- 20. Thank you so much for allowing me to participate in this wonderful experience. I love helping those in need and I'm very active with my church in doing projects like this to help the needy and less fortunate. I've been on the other side and I appreciate those who helped my daughters and I when we we're in need. Pay it forward.
- 21. Sorry, I was unable to attend.
- 22. I like having this project i really like it because I talk more to the people.
- 23. Honestly I was really surprised that there were not more college students considering your classes knew and other classes as well. I made me feel even better about going. I thought the experience and the mission was well. I have never been deployed but I know there are times that are difficult in the military and although this may seem simple to non-military it really is a huge morale builder. It shows that there are people thinking about them!!
- 24. The only thing I things that I think could be improved on is if we could get more people there. Also the people we are sending candy to are adults and some candy is good but some people were stuffing the bags like crazy! At my line we would put a couple of each and at the end it was a full bag, but when we were last and people came to help our line they were putting a ton of candy from each bucket and it just seemed like we could have spread it out better if did it the way we were at first.
- 25. The best experience was getting the letters for the troops, when I would ask for people to write one they would state they didn't know what to say. I told them that anything was fair game but a thank you and some motivation would be awesome. I really hope the troops enjoy the letters.
- 26. I would have never experienced such a beautiful feeling by helping our society better. Thank you!
- 27. I think it was an excellent experience. I just wish I hadn't been sick during the project because I wanted to do so much more. It made me feel good to be able to be involved in something that makes others feel better. I think it is good for people to have these experiences to introduce them to ways they can make this world a better place. My daughter enjoyed doing the project with me as well which was a good experience for her.
- 28. I think this was a great project because it forced me to be more involved in my community, since I'm not very active in my community. I enjoyed seeing the letters written to the troops from a teenager's point of view.
- 29. Thanks to Mrs. Finnell and to the political science professors that organized this humanitarian activity. I think it was a very important and serious activity.
- 30. I liked it because you know you're doing something good for the troops and many people are glad to help out, so it's not much work at all and everyone is helping one another. It makes you feel good.
- 31. Even though I couldn't participate I think it is a good project, soldiers would be happy to receive something from the citizens of the U.S., also they won't feel alone.
- 32. It helps us realize how many people do want to get involved and it encourages one to think about the troops/soldiers we still have in war. This project makes other people realize how important it is to support them and not take it for granted.
- 33. I liked this project and I thought it was a good experience.
- 34. I did not participate
- 35. My participation on the project made me get involved with people of my community in a positive way, letting them know how important the job of the soldiers that are serving our nation is.
- 36. It was a great and fun experience for me! I was mostly excited about participating and knowing that someone was going to open a bag of candy and a letter to read. I bet they will be very happy and thankful when they receive their candy and letter.

- 37. It helps students know of programs which could help people with needs in the IV.
- 38. It is really important to get involved with the community and is a way to get acknowledge of the necessities that it had.
- 39. It helped me be more involved in my school.
- 40. I wouldn't recommend it but I still enjoyed doing. On my personal opinion, I did enjoyed but I don't know if other people will also.
- 41. Sorry. I was not able to do community service due to schedule conflicts. I am a full time student and I come to school during the working hours of the organization. I gave the presentation on. I don't have a car; the pace was not in a walking distance.
- 42. Great experience! I loved doing something good for my community and I also loved the organization that I chose to volunteer with. I think I would like to continue to volunteer with them and also search for other ways to give back to my community.
- 43. I enjoyed watching the members progress over the weeks and open up. It showed me how acting helps in everyday life.
- 44. Even though I didn't do many community service hours, I really enjoyed them. During my break I plan on offering more hours to the community because my experience helped me understand that the community needs my help.
- 45. I had fun working with the kids, and trying to get them to understand life morals.
- 46. I didn't do the community service, but I wish I would've done it cuz I think it would've been fun.
- 47. Community service helps to get involved with our community however we do that, or at least in my case, I already do that a lot.
- 48. It is good to volunteer and encourage people to learn more about cancer and how to prevent it.
- 49. Even if you don't have problems or know of anyone else who has a problem, it builds character and self-worth.
- 50. Well the agency and non-profit and these are many people that need a lot of help. They need help with research and knowledge.
- 51. I tried to make time to do community service hours, but having two jobs and school I wasn't able to complete the hours.
- 52. I haven't done any community service yet for this class but I have done it before and all I can say is that it feels good to help others.
- 53. Having done community service helped me understand how helping the community is like.
- 54. Enjoyed very much to be able to talk and participate about the program.
- 55. I got well informed of what the institute does and provides. Have a professional staff. I really recommend it.
- 56. I had a great experience volunteering at the shelter. They really show how much they care for the animals.
- 57. Community services help me to understand the other's needs, and how can just help a little it with only donate some of your free time.
- 58. Had a great time doing community service. Great experience.
- 59. I loved this assignment. I felt like I was improving myself in many ways.
- 60. Made me respect what people do.
- 61. My hours were not served at the organization I did my paper on but I think it's a wonderful idea to have students serve their community even for only 10 hours.
- 62. I think that by doing a little bit of community service we can get to appreciate more about our community.
- 63. Helped a lot.
- 64. I had never been involved in community service but now that I have I like it. I was more aware of the needs of the community and felt better knowing I could help. I'll probably end up doing more.
- 65. I liked the idea of learning about a new organization and how it operates, but it takes time away and the inconvenience of spending more gas.
- 66. The community service hours were not a bother to me. The place I chose is somewhere I am already familiar with so it was no problem. Although I could see how a paper would have been simpler for someone who had to do hours at a place they did not like.
- 67. The community service was a great learning experience for me. I learned responsibility and dedication. Even though I learned from this experience, I do no recommend this for future classes with over a full schedule this semester it was very difficult for me to find time to work in the library. It is closed on weekends so I had to go on days I had classes.
- 68. By doing this service I was able to research a lot about the association. It helps me by understanding the problems and issues the association has.
- 69. It was a good experience for me to learn some new things and how the work environment in the office is. I also learned how the employees don't have much needs and why they join this coalition.

- 70. I believe that community service is something any human can enjoy for the satisfaction it gives to the soul and I greatly appreciate that it was "forced" on us so we could see what it's like.
- 71. Community service is something which could prove crucial to the developing criteria of college students. It's a good thing to have it required in courses despite its laborious nature.
- 72. Well, because we didn't do much it was OK experience. But try and find something you will be doing a lot but also find something you will enjoy.
- 73. Pretty positive experience.
- 74. I missed the deadline, so I didn't complete the assignment.
- 75. Great experience, highly recommend.
- 76. If the class is a fast track class I don't think it's fair for someone who has no time at all to do these things.
- 77. It was hard to find the time to do this project. Some community service groups need more help than others. It would be good to have some of the groups who benefited from the service speak in the class.
- 78. Overall good experience.
- 79. People who do community service should do something that will help them understand things in a different way. The Salvation Army is a great thing and very helpful but I don't think students will learn very much from it.
- 80. It was a life changing experience. I enjoyed helping out.
- 81. Good experience and fun. I think it was a great activity.
- 82. When you work a full-time job and got to school, I do not think this should be a required assignment.
- 83. Love working, help it's fun and gives you great experience.
- 84. I liked it and think it's important.
- 85. I want to keep going to council meetings their useful.
- 86. I really enjoyed this activity because I spent my time wisely helping others.
- 87. It was a good experience. It made me what to volunteer again.
- 88. By being to put my previous experiences in mock trial and some speaking skills, I was able to help the young adults improve for their competition. Although they were the fuel to many headaches, I feel like I was helpful to them and the community.
- 89. I think it's a great idea for students to do community service. Gives them something to do when they are free.
- 90. I recommend that for anybody also want to get involved in their community.
- 91. In my experience, I didn't learn much about how the Humane Society was affected by the government. I think that that is something that should be talked about in class to make the experience more relevant.
- 92. I still keep on doing it.
- 93. I personally didn't have time, but honestly I probably could have made time for it. But I think doing community service is great, not just for the community but for yourself as well. I wish I could go back and do it.
- 94. I enjoyed doing community service at the Sure Helpline Rape Center because I learned a lot of things I didn't know. I'm actually going back for training of 24 hours. It was an awesome experience.
- 95. I had a great time and the employees there were very nice.
- 96. Just feels great helping the people in need and doing a good deed!
- 97. Helping the community is good but sometimes the organizations don't have much for you to do, or are not clear on what you can do.
- 98. Some people really need it to see not everything is okay and that not everything & everyone revolves around them and their time.
- 99. I really recommend community service to future students because it help us learn a lot of things and what people need.
- 100. It gives you a great feeling when you know you helped out someone in need.
- 101. It is great to go out to the public and help anyone who needs the help. At the end you'll feel very thankful.
- 102. At the beginning it seems boring and a waste of time, but once you're working and making the difference it gives you satisfaction.
- 103. The volunteer work I performed was good, I was able to socialize with other staff and learn new things about the organization.
- 104. I would have appreciated more to have volunteer in something more engaging.
- 105. It's a great experience that I'm never going to forget!
- 106. I had a lot of fun doing it and I recommend it to other students. It's good to help out.
- 107. I really enjoyed doing this project. When I first head we were doing this I wasn't really looking forward to it but when I did it I was happy. Now I want to do it often.
- 108. It was a great experience that I learned from and was able to meet new people. I definitely recommend it to other students.

- 109. Doing the community service this term was helpful to me. I got to help animals and keep them off the streets. My experience at the I.V. Humane Society was unforgettable, in a good way.
- 110. I don't believe community service should be a requirement because most look at community service as something they must do instead of doing it because they are willing.
- 111. Whether or not students grasp a particular concept from this experience, I still believe it is very beneficial to our whole community so that people's perspectives are possibly opened up to be a little less self-centered.
- 112. I loved this experience but I think the people working there should take more advantage of the volunteer services.
- 113. It was very fun and it made me feel good to help out the needy. I am really looking forward to doing it again and encourage others to participate.
- 114. It's a very nice thing to do for people of our community. We are rarely asked to do.
- 115. The community service in Niland for Thanksgiving was actually fulfilling and fun. Certainly more community service activities should be promoted and encouraged.
- 116. It was nice helping out a community that is really in need.
- 117. Giving out to our community felt great and it inspired me to continue helping our society.
- 118. It was a gratifying experience and really demonstrated that more things get done if you work as a group.
- 119. Being helpful.
- 120. It was awesome.
- 121. Ms. Finnell, the fundraiser organizer, was great in directing the students in doing their assigned jobs.
- 122. Teacher makes us relate to current events that make topics easier to understand.
- 123. It was to help other people.
- 124. Good experience.
- 125. It is good to motivate students to do voluntary hours.
- 126. It was a good experience.
- 127. Everything was good except the drive. Next time have a bus take the class. (Niland)
- 128. I passed a great time.
- 129. I have new found respect for these events. I never understood how challenging it could be to persuade people to give back to their community. But now I have an understanding of what goes on in these services, how they unfold, and why. (Niland)
- 130. Don't make them required unless the course has a place or places where a student can go for class reasons.
- 131. I had fun.
- 132. Busy work schedule because of work and different classes. No time for community service that was not work-related.
- 133. Attending BOS meetings, city council or etc. Should be mandatory aside from community service. Gets students more involved in local politics.
- 134. I think they are good for extra credit but think they should not be required. Only because some of us work and do not have time for it and then it counts against us.
- 135. I really enjoy serving the community.
- 136. We were only required to do a minimum of 3 hours of community service. It is my belief that more hours should be required.
- 137. Wouldn't like to ever do community service, free labor, no thank you.
- 138. It was a good way to get involved with the community and a great experience.
- 139. It felt good to serve the community. I have been to Mexico and Chile where wild dogs roam streets. Humane society helps a lot. Keep neighborhoods nicer and prevents overbreeding.
- 140. Honestly wished I could have found the time and a sitter, to have been able to participate.
- 141. My supervisor for community service had a folder in which she gave me information on non-profit organizations and how political science plays a major role in the kid's life. Also how early development in kids is very important.
- 142. Decent idea to have it be mandatory so you could at least help your community for 3 hours.
- 143. Great experience!
- 144. Making students do community service to improve their grade is wrong. It should be optional not a requirement. What are you priming students for? Working for free?
- 145. I think the class as a whole should have been given more notice of this requirement. For myself, I know I was only available on weekends, and I literally had previous engagements for every weekend but one by the time we were told it was a requirement. Aside from all of that, I do think it' a great idea to require community service.
- 146. I really like animals and volunteering for the Humane Society is something that I would enjoy doing again.
- 147. The Humane Society needs a lot of help. All the time also donations of old blankets are needed.
- 148. It felt great to know that I was helping out an organization that provides money to women with cancer that have little to no resources. I enjoyed doing my community service.

- 149. I think is always important to help others in your own time because that way you can appreciate what others do for children.
- 150. I understood how important is to know this organizations that help a lot of people and that need the help of the community to continue its purpose.
- 151. I regret not having done this activity.
- 152. With proper planning I could have done a lot more for my community service project. It is a shame that most people don't offer their services to help.
- 153. Good class.
- 154. I think that we shouldn't be required to do community service if it is not our interest.
- 155. Not necessarily see why it's mandatory not really useful.
- 156. Could not do any community service.
- 157. Students should be encouraged to try out locations for service instead of revisiting same place time after time.
- 158. I really did like it didn't have much time to do more but it is helpful to see many things that happen in our community.
- 159. While I didn't do my community service, I thoroughly encourage other students to participate. Not only because it's required, but because it's an experience that makes you feel good about yourself and about helping your community.
- 160. It's a great thing to do for our community. Something everyone should do.
- 161. It's good to do community service but sometimes there's no time because I had to go to school then go to work. In the weekend the schools are closed and it's when I do my homework and when I study.
- 162. Community service is retarded, but funny.
- 163. It was super stupid. Why would we have to be forced to pay for a class that forces us to do community service? Community service is something one should do willingly or it has no reason.
- 164. Teamwork!
- 165. It was okay besides being mandatory.
- 166. It was too easy. It's something I do regularly.
- 167. It was good to know that with those 3 hours I made a change in someone's life for the good.
- 168. I didn't do any community service this semester. I didn't have any time I had to take care of my grandma.
- 169. It was awesome working at Salvation Army.
- 170. I loved to work with children.
- 171. I think requiring community service in a course is a great way to get the students involved in local issues.
- 172. I would consider continue serving as much as I can.
- 173. I believe everyone should give to the community no matter what your circumstances are.
- 174. I thought it was a good idea to let students help out at the IVC Daycare.
- 175. It was the most interesting activity that I had had in my life.
- 176. It was a great experience. I might go back just to volunteer.
- 177. I had a great time. Happy for the opportunity given to reach out to the community.
- 178. I enjoyed taking care of children because they are adorable.
- 179. You learn a lot of local services you didn't know existed. Appreciate more.
- 180. I really enjoy doing community service at the childhood center because it feels great that you are helping and also make a difference in someone's life.
- 181. It was a pleasure for me to be an assistant for community service in the preschool at IVC. I learned a lot, and it was so interesting for me to interact with the kids.
- 182. This experience open my mind to the need that our children have of an adult role model and having to spend 15 hours with these kids was greatly appreciated by each and every kid I help in those days.
- 183. I had great privilege to be able to volunteer in the preschool at IVC. Staff there is great.
- 184. I had a lot of fun taking care of the kids for three days but if I would've gone long I would've gone crazy.
- 185. I really like to do my community service because playing with the kids and talking to them make me think that doesn't care how old are we learn so many things.
- 186. Community service was an option. I had a very good experience. I did learn a lot during my experience.
- 187. It was a great experience working with children.
- 188. I love to make community service in my community because even though I didn't received paid experience the feeling of helping and that was more value.
- 189. It feels great when you are able to help out in the community.
- 190. It was a good and humbling experience to work at the Salvation Army.
- 191. It was a good experience.
- 192. I really see the need that our kids need and the amount of help that's needed. I could see that it's very hard work to be there and be part of that.

193. Great experience.

- 194. I really felt satisfied with my work. I learned to appreciate what I have and what I am given. I felt good after I did my hours. It was nice to help out in my community.
- 195. I appreciate the opportunity that Mr. White gave me to participate in community service. It was very interesting.
- 196. That I really appreciate this POLS 102 class because it gives me a chance to know what really means to work with kids.
- 197. Based on my passed experience, I will participate in another activity.
- 198. I totally like community service assignment because it was an experience that let me know the problems in my community. Also help me to want to be more involved in the issues of my community.
- 199. I think is an excellent experience and opportunity to be a better person in this life. I think is better give that receive.
- 200. My community service was an excellent adventure.
- 201. Participating in community service is part of one's civil responsibility.
- 202. Enjoyed helping and being active member of my community.
- 203. I see how many people are in need and how important it is for us as citizens to help out.
- 204. Community service may be given to a member of our community in special. It is not only by going to a public place. I feel very proud to have helped to a student to finish this semester (by caring of her children). We all are part of our community.
- 205. It was a great experience.
- 206. It's a great idea of doing an assignment. It's hands on and you learn a lot from this opportunity.
- 207. It was fun doing community service.
- 208. It was good working with young children.
- 209. My experience in volunteering is special because I learn how I can help people.
- 210. When serving your community, you feel good about it. I recommend community service to everyone.
- 211. I feel great in my community experience.
- 212. I really think community service is great for us the students. I hope that this kind of requirements never stops.
- 213. I really enjoy this POLS 102. I will hardly recommend this class especially with this teach Mr. White.
- 214. Had an awesome time!
- 215. Very nice experience.
- 216. Truly a lot of fun and I learned a lot from it.
- 217. In my opinion, it was a good experience to help my community.
- 218. A learning experience in the work field.
- 219. Excellent opportunity to work and relate with children that comes from migrant parents.
- 220. In this experience I learn how important is to bring a little of our time to other organizations that need a lot of help.
- 221. I had a great experience with my community service. I have done things of this sort before and I will continue doing so.
- 222. Campus life was great but I will never volunteer at the Salvation Army again because they didn't treat me with respect.
- 223. It was great. I didn't expect it to be so great and helpful.
- 224. I really enjoyed it. I like being able to help my community for no money but instead earn a good grade.
- 225. It was a really great experience helping animals and definitely I will come back.
- 226. Great experience. Better than individual presentation.
- 227. Great experience.
- 228. I really enjoyed it and continue to volunteer.
- 229. I really enjoyed doing community service hours. It was a great experience and an opportunity to serve the community and meet new people.
- 230. I enjoyed helping my former instructor in theater class because I feel like he did need assistance. The day I arrived he was very glad to see me and said it was wonderful I chose to help him. I do think I can begin volunteering around my community.
- Community service project was a good project, but I also appreciated that we had the option to do something different.
- 232. My experience was helpful because I realize how some teachers aren't really helpful to the students. For example, teachers have students that don't understand the concept and still the teachers keep moving on.
- 233. It was refilling and refreshing.
- 234. I really enjoyed this. For me, it was better than doing the debates or presentations. That is much more difficult.