2023 COMETS UNITE IN SERVICE
UTD’s newest class of comets showed their spirit for service by assembling over 300 activity kits for Foster Kids Charity. These kits benefit children who are in transitional periods, and allow them to have snacks and activities to do during an uncertain time. Thanks, 2023 Comets!

PACKAGING LOVE
In its third year, our partnerships with departments across campus enabled 175 students, staff, and faculty to pack over 25,000 meals with Feeding Children Everywhere. This caring community helped to put jambalaya meals on the tables of DFW families in need.

The stellar comets at this event donated over 350 hours worth of time, with an estimated value of $8900.50 in donated time*. This was a successful service event that brought us together to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and allowed us to exemplify what it means to be a part of a “Beloved Community”!

SERVICE SUMMARY
Despite our semester turning virtual, over 2900 Comets participated in 29 OSV events and service opportunities over the spring semester. In total, volunteers served 1613 hours with an estimated value of $4,012 in donated time*. Head over to our Facebook page to see photos from all of our events, or check out #volunteerudt on Instagram.

Thanks to our dedicated gardeners, the UT Dallas Community Garden continued to flourish this semester! To see what’s up and growing, visit utdallas.edu/volunteer/garden

Summer of Service
Service does not take the summer off! Read below for more information on how you can get involved with the OSV virtually this summer.

Our summer calendar is live! Check out all our events and opportunities on our website: utdallas.edu/volunteer/events

Capes for Kiddos
Every spring semester, the OSV brings out the felt, the glue guns, and the decorations to create amazing capes for kiddos at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children. Volunteers from across campus joined for several hours to craft 60 inspirational and artistic capes, which were handed out to patients at the hospital. These capes help inspire confidence in kiddos undergoing treatments in the hospital, and allow them inner superhero to shine!

Volunteer of the Semester
This spring’s Volunteer of the Semester was many-time volunteer, Anni Chen. She has been a frequent OSV volunteer since she came to UTD. Anni has been an ASD participant, and frequently joins us on our recurring events, and participates in our annual Viva Volunteer and MLK Meal Packing! Thanks for your dedication, Anni!

*estimated value of 2020 Texas volunteer time per www.independentsector.org

Earth Week Goes Digital in 9th year
Earth Week 2020 was transformed into Digital Earth Day. With the partnership of the Office of Sustainability, videos celebrating sustainability and the environment were collected from faculty, staff, students, and community partners. Videos on everything from composting to ethical purchasing educated the UTD community on the UN Sustainable Development Goals and how we can help!

DIGITAL
Earth Day
April 22
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