

Q1.1. Service Showcase Application

We are looking for dynamic stories, unique projects, and inspiring service for the KU Center for Service Learning (CSL) Spring 2026 Service Showcase. Winners will be celebrated at our annual End of the Year Celebration, which will be held on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, in partnership with the Center for Undergraduate Research and Fellowships (CURF)!

The Service Showcase is an opportunity for students of all levels to share their service projects and experiences with the University community and Lawrence community partners. For this year's showcase we are seeking students who have completed service projects or placements that have made an impact on them as students and the community. This opportunity will provide students an opportunity to network with service minded professionals, practice their presentation skills, and add additional experience to their educational portfolio.

When completing our proposal submission form, please be prepared to share the following materials:

Abstract: Please provide an abstract, summary or creative statement of no more than 250 words that describes your service project / experience and the outcomes of that experience. The abstract should focus on what you did that addressed a community identified need, what you learned from the project, and what the project or experience's impact was on the community members.

Social Media Spotlight: If you / your group are selected to participate in the Service Showcase, we would like to do a social media spotlight on you! Please upload a photo and short project description that could be used for the spotlight here.

Supporting Documents: You may submit one additional document (in the form of a PDF) to illustrate your experience / project - this might include images, impact statistics, etc. This submission is optional.

****This application is due by Friday, March 13, 2026.****

I need help, or I have questions:

[Service Showcase Info Session](#) #1: Monday, February 9, 2026 from 4-5 PM in Summerfield Hall Room 201

[Service Showcase Info Session](#) #2: Tuesday, March 3, 2026 from 4-5 PM in Summerfield Hall Room 201

[Drop-In Office Hours](#): Every Tuesday from 2-4 PM in Summerfield Hall Room 203

Website: csl.ku.edu/students/initiatives/showcase

Email: csl@ku.edu

Q34. About You

The CSL would love to know more about you (and anyone else associated with this project)! Your experiences, education, and extracurricular activities all shape your point of view. However, the only information we *require* you to submit is your name and contact information.

Q1.2. Your full name:

Anony Mous

Q1.3. Your KU email address:

a000m000@ku.edu

Q1.4. Your major / program of study:

Exercise Science

Q1.5. Are you an undergraduate or graduate student?

Please select the highest level of education you have pursued during the 2025-2026 academic year.

☒ Undergraduate

☐ Graduate

☐ Other - Please explain:

Q1.6. When do you expect to (or did you) graduate from your current program?

If you are unsure, make your best guess. Hint: students who began a 4-year degree program in Fall 2025 will likely graduate in Spring 2029.

Spring/Summer 2027 ▼

Q1.7. Will you be presenting at the Service Showcase as an **individual** or as a **group**?

☐ Presenting individually

☒ Presenting as a group

Q1.9. Which of the following have you been involved with during the 2025-2026 academic year?

☐ Honors program

☐ Sorority & Fraternity Life - Chapter:

☒ Student organization / club leadership - Please elaborate:

President of Red Cross Club

☐ Research - Please (briefly) elaborate:

☒ Certificate in Service Learning

☐ Trailblazers Mini-Grant - Project:

☐ Student Community Action Corps - Placement:

☐ Community Service Capacity Award

☐ Other fellowship, grant, or award - Please elaborate:

Q33. Feel free to include any additional information about yourself that you feel is relevant:

Q2.1. Please list the full names and KU email addresses of the other students who will be presenting in your group:

Only include students who are actively presenting and competing as a part of this Service Showcase entry. Feel free to also include other relevant information about each student, such as major, year, club leadership position, etc.

John Doe, j123d456@ku.edu, Vice-president of Red Cross Jane Smith, j006s007@ku.edu No Body, nobody1@ku.edu, senior Biology major

Q2.2. Is your group representing a specific organization or club? If so, which?

☒ Yes, we are representing this organization: Red Cross

☐ No, we are not representing a specific organization

Q3.1. Abstract

Please provide an abstract, summary or creative statement of no more than 250 words that describes your service project / experience and the outcomes of that experience. The abstract should focus on what you did that addressed a community identified need, what you learned from the project, and what the project or experience's impact was on the community members.

[Abstract for Service Showcase.pdf](#)

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Q3.2. Presentation title:

American Red Cross Club's Service Initiatives

Q3.3. Are any of the service experiences covered in your presentation associated with a KU course / course credit?

Select "Yes" if you received course credit for any of the service you gave, or if the service was a part of a required or optional class assignment.

☐ Yes, I am presenting on a service-learning course experience

☒ No, I am presenting on other types of service

Q1.8. What, if any, additional organizations or clubs have your service activities been affiliated with?

Examples: "Student Senate", "Center for Community Outreach - MILK", "Red Cross Club", "Trans Lawrence Coalition", etc.

Q3.4. How much time has your group dedicated to the service project(s) you are presenting on?

This may be given as a number of service hours logged, or a general period of time such as "2 weeks", "5 months", or "1.5 years".

American Red Cross (Blood Drives, CPR Training): 10 hours, Home Works USA (Housing Projects for Youth Aging Out of Foster Care): 6 hours, Topeka VA (Food Drives for Veterans- Tabling, Bag Making, and Distribution): 14 hours, Lawrence-Douglas County Fire Department (Fire Alarm Installations): 4 hours, Mexican Consulate (Spanish Language Resources and ARC emergency preparedness resources): 5 hours, (respectively from previous box)

Q3.5. Name(s) of any community partner / non-profit organization involved in this project / experience:

American Red Cross, Home Works USA, Topeka VA, Lawrence-Douglas County Fire Department, Mexican Consulate in Kansas City

Q3.6. Name & contact information of a site supervisor or contact person related to the above community partner(s):

John Doe, Fulan AlFulani, Zhang San, Division Chief Fred Nerk, Alice Bob and Max Mustermann (respectively)

Q3.7. If you are selected to participate in the Service Showcase, we want to make sure we notify people who have supported you in your project. These can be faculty members, university staff, or other community members who have played a meaningful role in your work. Please provide a list of names and emails of those people so we can reach out to them!

Dr. Whatsername: whatshername@ku.edu, Yamada Hanako: hanako.yamada@redcross.org, John Doe: johndoe@redcross.org

Q3.8. Supporting Documents

You may submit one additional document (in the form of a PDF) to illustrate your experience / project. This might include images, impact statistics, etc. This submission is optional.

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Q4.1. Service Learning Course

You indicated previously that you will be presenting on service that was given as a part of a KU course. The KU Center for Service Learning would like to know more about the Service Learning course(s) you took this academic year.

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Q4.2. Course number:

Examples: "UNIV 492", "ABSC 690", "COMS 342", etc.

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q4.3. Full name of course instructor:

Examples: "Kate Kemper", "Dr. Valerie Thompson", etc.

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q4.4. Semester course was taken:

Examples: "Fall 2025", "Spring 2026 (currently taking)", "Summer 2024"

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q4.5.

Please also upload a copy of the course syllabus and / or service learning assignment:

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q5.1. Social Media Spotlight

If you or your group are selected to participate in the 2026 Service Showcase, the CSL would like to do a social media spotlight on your service activities and Showcase submission!

These and previous year's posts will be found on our official Instagram ([instagram.com/kuserves](https://www.instagram.com/kuserves)). If your project is selected as a winner, we will also highlight you on our website (csl.ku.edu/students/initiatives/showcase) and YouTube channel ([youtube.com/@KUServes](https://www.youtube.com/@KUServes)).

Q5.2. Please upload a photo that could be used for the spotlight:

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Q5.3. Please provide a short, 2-3 sentence description of your project, experience, group, or presentation, to be used as a post description:

You may use previous years' postings (found at [instagram.com/kuserves](https://www.instagram.com/kuserves)) as examples.

Since August 2024, the American Red Cross Club at KU has supported local needs through service projects like preparing housing for foster youth with HomeWorks USA, hosting blood drives, aiding veterans, and installing fire alarms. Their work fosters empathy, civic engagement, and lasting impact.

Q5.4. Do you understand that, by submitting this application to the 2026 Service Showcase, you consent to the CSL potentially posting about you, your group, your service activities, and your Showcase submission materials on the CSL official social media and website?

☒ Yes, I understand the CSL may post about my project

Q6.1. Next Steps

After your Service Showcase presentation proposal is submitted, the CSL will review your application. You should be notified if you are selected to present by Tuesday, March 24, 2026. You will then receive information about creating your final 5-minute presentation, the submission procedures, and the judging criteria. During this time, we will also host two Help Sessions, in late March and early April. Your final presentation recording will be due by Thursday, April 9, 2026. Winners will be announced at the CSL & CURF End of the Year Celebration on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, which all Showcase participants will be invited to attend.

Q6.2. If your project is selected to be a part of the 2026 Service Showcase, do you agree to create, record, and upload a 5 minute presentation to the provided link by Thursday, April 9, 2026?

☒ Yes, I agree to submit a 5-minute video

Q6.3. How did you learn about the Service Showcase?

- ☒ CSL email invitation
- ☐ CSL newsletter
- ☐ Honors newsletter
- ☐ Faculty member / advisor
- ☐ KU Engage (formerly Rock Chalk Central)
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Word of mouth
- ☐ Other - Please elaborate:

Embedded Data
ClubPipe: if any, additional
HoursPipe: has your group

Location Data

Abstract for CSL Service Showcase: KU American Red Cross Club

Name: Anony Mous

Project Title: American Red Cross Club's Service Initiatives

Date: January 1, 2025

The American Red Cross Club at KU has quickly established itself as a force for positive change since its reestablishment in August 2024. Our club has engaged in a range of service initiatives that address vital community needs through impactful partnerships. Our work with Home Works USA helps prepare transitional housing for young adults aging out of foster care, resulting in two new tenants moving in. Club members expressed gratitude for the opportunity to support such an impactful organization and make a difference in the community. In our campus blood drives, we collected 83 pints of blood, reflecting on our donations and their ability to save lives. At the Topeka VA, we organized food drives and seasonal gift distributions, culminating in an emotional moment when a veteran tearfully expressed his appreciation, highlighting the importance of ensuring that veterans feel seen and valued. Through our partnership with local fire departments in Sound the Alarm, we installed 70 fire alarms, recognizing that essential safety resources can make a significant difference in protecting lives. Our CPR crash course equipped students with life-saving skills, and at the Mexican Consulate, we assisted in distributing Red Cross resources in Spanish, ensuring the accessibility of services for the Latino community. Each of these experiences has allowed our club members to grow in empathy, civic responsibility, and understanding. Through reflection and action, we embody the humanitarian values of the American Red Cross, continually striving to serve with compassion, inclusivity, and a commitment to creating lasting community change.

