

ASLMU Senate SR 18-04

ASLMU Senate at Loyola Marymount University
A RESOLUTION TO MAKE SERVICE MORE ACCESSIBLE TO STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT
IN SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

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WHEREAS, Loyola Marymount University promises to give its students an education that teaches them to live a life devoted to the service of faith and the promotion of justice.

WHEREAS, Loyola Marymount University has ten official service organizations on campus that each bring awareness to and advocate for a different social justice issue.

WHEREAS, service is very accessible to students who are in service organizations and service clubs on campus but people who are not members of either of these have limited access to service.

WHEREAS, most service placements, (i.e. homeless shelters, soup kitchens, and domestic violence safe homes), require a lengthy orientation process which can include an expensive Live Scan exam and a TB Test, both of which are hard to access and expensive if you are not in a service organization.

WHEREAS, some students at Loyola Marymount University do not own cars or do not have access to transportation and therefore do not have the ability to drive themselves to a service placement.

WHEREAS, service organization recruitment does not start until the spring semester so first year students, first year transfer students, and students who have not yet joined a service organization, but have the desire to do so, cannot join one until the spring semester and essentially have no access to service for the fall semester.

WHEREAS, there is plenty of service to be done and social justice issues to advocate for. Along with this, students should not take on a superiority or savior complex when doing service and should do service to help others and to provide accompaniment and love to those who need it.

LET IT BE RESOLVED, the Senate of the Associated Students of Loyola Marymount University will strive to make service more accessible to students who are not involved in

service organizations or service clubs on campus. There is always work to be done and the more people that we can get involved in this work, the closer we are to solving some of these problems once and for all. We will have an LMU Day of Service on Sunday, November 11th, 2018 from 12pm - 3pm and possibly another in the spring semester where students will be able to come out and do service for different service placements while learning more about social justice issues and what other things they can do to help.

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