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HSSU Partners with Urban K-Life of St. Louis for Annual MLK Day of Service

ST. LOUIS, MO (January 15, 2013) – Harris-Stowe State University will participate in the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. National Day of Service, which has been coordinated by the Corporation for National and Community Service. This annual effort is one that inspires Americans from across the country to come together on the King Holiday to serve their neighbors and communities.

This year, HSSU will partner with Urban K-Life of St. Louis by assisting with their building rehabilitation project through tasks such as painting and clean up. Urban K-Life of St. Louis is an inter-denominational ministry, working to impact the youth culture for Christ in north St. Louis. An estimated 50 HSSU students are expected to serve in this project.

For Harris-Stowe, this endeavor was made possible by the MLK Day of Service Collegiate Challenge mini-grant, which was awarded to the university in the amount of \$1,000. HSSU was one of 12 universities recognized by Montana Campus Compact by providing funding to go toward building MLK-related projects that combine meaningful service, thoughtful reflection and opportunities for sustained service and ongoing community involvement. This is the third year that Harris-Stowe has received the grant, which encourages college students to honor the memory, life and work of Dr. King.

For more information on the National Day of Service, please visit <http://mlkday.gov/>.

Harris-Stowe State University, located in midtown St. Louis, is a four-year institution that offers 14 degree programs in the areas of Accounting, Business Administration, Biology, Criminal Justice, Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Health Care Management, Hospitality and Tourism Management, Information Sciences and Computer Technology, Mathematics, Middle School Education, Professional Interdisciplinary Studies, Secondary Education and Urban Affairs. Ranked by *U.S. News* as one of America's Best Colleges in the Midwest, the university, which has been in existence for more than 150 years, offers the most affordable bachelor's degree in the metropolitan area.

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