

Community Engagement and Outreach

Point Loma Nazarene University believes in the importance of community engagement and outreach for student-athletes. We will participate in athletics-wide events as well as have individual team projects to support this belief. All student-athletes and teams are expected to participate in these events and individual team events.

Community Outreach or service means reaching out to help those in the community. Some characteristics of community service are as follows:

- Have specific end goals
- Generally a one-time occurrence
- Most often does not require the establishment of a personal relationship between those providing the service and those receiving the benefit of the service
- Usually done to fulfill a service requirement
- Qualifies as “serve learning”
- Directed toward specific not-for-profit organizations or entities within the community with an identified need

Examples of ongoing community outreach projects include: Beacon of Hope Homeless Ministry, Ocean Beach Clean Up, and PLNU Sports Clinics.

Community Engagement means building lasting relationships. Some characteristics of community engagement are as follows:

- Time of social gathering and interaction with the campus and community
- Feels like interaction with friends
- Opportunity to get to know the campus and local community better
- Making the college and campus feel like the town square
- Individuals walk away from the experience remembering the fun atmosphere
- Directed towards parents, students, alumni, faculty, staff, donors, friends of faculty and staff

Examples of oncoming community engagement include: Staff Appreciation Day, Faculty Appreciation Nights, PLNU Community Day, Homecoming events, Pre-Season Kick-Off BBQ, PLNU Athletics Banquet, Superfest, and Holiday Fun Night.