UGL Services offers community service scholarships

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UGL Services has initiated a community service scholarship program available to Tulane University students. In its inaugural year, the program awarded \$10,000, one-year scholarships to five students to recognize, encourage and support current and future community service projects and to increase students' sense of civic engagement and social responsibility.



UGL Services, the company that is custodial services contractor for Tulane University, is funding scholarships for five Tulane students who are spearheading community service projects. (Illustration by Melinda Viles)

The recipients are:

â?¢ Lea Bogner (School of Liberal Arts class of 2012) who restructured the Service Organizations Council and the Community Action Council of Tulane University Students (CACTUS) into one organization that represents the entire service community at Tulane.

â?¢ Tanya Chen (School of Science and Engineering class of 2014) who expanded her Sounds of Harmony program that offers children in the greater New Orleans area free, high-quality beginning and intermediate violin music lessons.

â?¢ Rebecca Cianci (Newcomb-Tulane College class of 2013) who started a college prep and career planning program at a local youth center, including ACT prep services, a resume and essay writing lab, and assistance in finding financial aid or job placement.

â?¢ <u>Ophir Haberer</u> (Newcomb-Tulane College class of 2014) who expanded his current Hope Garden project to include two community gardens in the Lower Ninth Ward. He worked in collaboration with community resources to bring more urban agriculture, fresh produce and food education to the Lower Ninth Ward.

â?¢ Jolia Raymond (School of Science and Engineering class of 2013) who expanded on the Tulane University Community Action Network (TUCAN) Tutoring Program. She created a Big Brothers/Big Sisters program to offer more stable mentoring opportunities.

"UGL Services understands what we in the Center for Public Service at Tulane University are trying to accomplish," says Vincent Ilustre, executive director of the <u>Tulane Center for Public Service</u>. "These scholarships open new avenues for students and fund projects for Tulane and the greater New Orleans community that would not happen without this type of support."

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