

Zero Hunger Summer Fellowship

For summer 2021, PSL's Zero Hunger Fellowship will fund two students from the PSL class of 2021 to work with the PSL Giving Garden and a mutually agreed upon hunger charity in Northeast Ohio. The intent of the Zero Hunger Fellowship is for students to immerse themselves in the fight against hunger and, in doing so, gain knowledge that can be used to inform and improve local efforts to assist families experiencing food insecurity.

Fellowship stipends of \$500 will be paid for 10 weeks of part-time work (2 hours per week in the PSL Giving Garden and 3 hours per week at a mutually agreed upon nonprofit). Applicants should partner with an existing nonprofit whose central mission is fighting hunger. Stipends will be paid upon completion of week 10 when 50 hours of service that are logged and verified in InnerView.

Zero Hunger Fellowship Application Deadline: March 15, 2021

Expectations:

As part of the fellowship, participants will be required to

- Participate in an in-person orientation session with Mr. Soeder and Mrs. Trentanelli at the start of the summer.
- Recruit volunteers to assist with planting, weeding, watering, and harvesting in the PSL Giving Garden for on Tuesday and Friday mornings throughout the summer (2 hours per week).
- Volunteer 3 hours per week with mutually agreed upon nonprofit.
- Submit weekly time sheets on InnerView for hours served in Giving Garden and for nonprofit.
- Design and share a social media campaign detailing the impact of their summer experience.
- Convene with other fellowship recipients and staff at the end of the summer to reflect on their experiences.

Eligibility:

To be eligible for this fellowship, student's must partner with a Northeast Ohio based nonprofit or government organization whose primary mission is related to fighting hunger in our community. Applicants must be seniors who are enrolled in PSL.

Timeline:

March 15, 2021:	Fellowship application due at noon EST
April 9, 2021:	Fellows are notified of acceptance into the program by this date
May 2021:	Fellows complete orientation with Mr. Soeder and Mrs. Trentanelli
May 2021	Fellows secure volunteer position with local nonprofit fighting hunger
June-August 2021:	Fellows work at project sites, implement social media campaign, run PSL Giving Garden, and log service hours in InnerView
August 2021:	Fellows are invited back for reflection with staff
August 2021:	Fellows will receive \$500 stipend upon completion of week 10 (50 hours of service).

A completed application includes the following materials:

1. Resume
2. Personal Statement (1 page single-spaced) including:
 - What do you seek to give (and gain) from this experience?
 - How does this position connect to your academic experience and future plans?
 - What local nonprofit fighting hunger do you hope to serve and what previous experiences do you have with this type of service/issue;
 - How do you plan to use this experience to inform and/or improve local efforts to address food insecurity?
 - Potential challenges or logistical concerns;
3. Letter/email from the committed partner organization
4. Two Perry references, one of which must be a faculty member with whom you have had a course.
Please note - you should not have to submit full letters of reference. We will reach out to your reference contacts with any questions.