

Loyola University Maryland, Mount St. Mary's University honored for community service

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Loyola University Maryland in Baltimore and Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg are among the five independent Maryland colleges recently honored for their community outreach partnerships.

These schools were named to the 2013 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll in recognition of their community outreach partnerships, according to information from the Maryland Independent College and University Association (MICUA).

Independent colleges and universities in Maryland work to strengthen the communities in which they live, by working to improve the quality of education, expanding educational opportunities for underserved students, improving access to quality health care, serving as cultural resources for their communities, revitalizing older neighborhoods and collaborating with local agencies and nonprofit organizations, according to information from MICUA. An independent consultant recently estimated MICUA students volunteered 300,000 service hours to agencies and organizations in their communities.

The annual President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, which began in 2006, highlights the role colleges and universities play in solving community problems and engaging students in a lifelong commitment to civic engagement by recognizing institutions that achieve meaningful, measureable outcomes in the communities they serve, according to information from MICUA.

Twelve Maryland institutions earned the designation, including two community colleges and five public universities.

Goucher College in Towson, Maryland Institute College of Art in Baltimore and McDaniel College in Westminster were also honored.

For a full list of recipients, visit nationalservice.gov/honorroll.