

2013-2014 CGIU Selected Projects

Five students attended the Clinton Global Initative Conference. Students Erin Smith, Laura Holly, Jody-Ann Coore and Cindy Raders shared their projects known as "commitment to action" at the CGIU Conference with over 1,000 university students around the world.

Health in Your Hands

Organized by Laura Holly, this project is designed to create 25,000 educational pamphlets that will be distributed to approximately 28 health clinics in Benin, Africa. The goal of the pamphlets will be to enhance public education and encourage preventative health practices.

Assisting a Miracle on Rishiskesh

Organized by Erin Smith, this project expands upon the income-generation opportunities offered by the nonprofit group Mother Miracle in India. Assisting a Miracle will provide opportunities for the products made by the women of Rishiskesh to also be sustainable.

Reading for Freedom

Organized by Jody Ann-Coore and Cindy Raders, this project is an expansion of UNO's Reading Drive program with the goal of positively changing the literacy rates of juvenile offenders in Douglas County. The goal will be to create a reading/mentoring club for the Douglas Country Youth Center.

Reading Drive for Africa

Organized by Sr. Rosemary Arrah, this program is designed to provide access to books in schools across Africa. The goal this year is raising 10,000 books and establishing four new libraries by the end of 2014. Trash to Treasure Organized by Marin Krause, this project is designed to collect 6,500 plastic bottles in the Midwest to form "eco-bricks". These bricks will journey to the island of Madagascar to solve global challenges such as conservation, ecosystem management, education, and local and global waste management.

Future Leaders Program (FLP)

Designed by Khalid Almashikhi to train 10,000 youths in Oman, this program combines hands-on education and meaningful service. At FLP students develop the ability to explore more deeply, think critically and express ideas clearly and creatively across many challenges. The goal of FLP is to create informed citizens of Oman and the world.