

The Stone Soup Leadership Institute's Story of the Week: City Year, *Something Greater Than Themselves* Week of January 24-30, 2021



Sunday: Story of the Week: Something Greater Than Themselves #SundayThoughts: This week's story on @Arianna Huffington's @Thrive Global, spotlights the founding of City Year Read about how Alan Khazei and Michael Brown stayed up late after classes to study the Civil Rights Movement and the Peace Corps, culminating in a program that would change the lives of millions of young people.

Thrive Global link: https://thriveglobal.com/stories/something-greater-than-themselves/

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idealism to work.

City Year gave him [Stephen Spaloss] a place and the tools to be able to start over. He literally took his sweatshirt off his back and gave it to me so that I would never forget the kids at City Year.

President Bill Clinton

Monday: Quote: President Bill Clinton

#MondayMotivation: Sometimes the ripples of change are slow to take shape. From it's start, the ripples cast by City Year's small, but mighty group of volunteers captivated people. With City Year as an inspiration, President Clinton founded @AmeriCorps to connect individuals and organizations to help communities tackle their toughest challenges.

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Tuesday: Hero Report: Alan Khazei & Michael Brown, City Year

The call to serve is universal. It is not limited to a neighborhood or a city. Watch this video to see why, in the words of Hillary Clinton, City Year members "are what's right about America."

Hero Report video: https://youtu.be/6J-9v9zVBPA

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Wednesday: Honor Roll: City Year

#CalltoAction: Deciding to serve a purpose greater than oneself doesn't have to be daunting. When you join City Year, you are surrounded by support. City Year members receive robust training to develop skills for the job and beyond, and they become a part of a team helping to lift student achievment in under-resourced schools. After the year of service, many City Corps members become leaders in communities where they live and work.

Are you ready to make a difference? Start here: <u>https://www.cityyear.org/</u>

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New Island Initiative Encourages Volunteerism



"What's a word for helping others?" Morgan Hauck asked Chilmark students "Volunteer," said seven- yearold Dakota del Viento.

Morgan traveled from Providence, R.I., to speak at seven school assemblies this week, sharing her excitement about helping others through City Year. After graduating from the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School, she decided to give two years of her life to City Year and help disadvantaged kids. Inviting students to participate in Make a Difference Day, she said, "If can do it five days a week, you can do it for one day," adding, "You can make a difference, too."

For the last 10 years, millions of people across the country have been organizing service projects in their communities on this national day of service. The Stone Soup Foundation is working with teachers, parents and community organizations to create the first Make a Difference Day, set for Oct. 28 on Martha's Vineyard. "It's about bringing people together to accomplish many things in one day," says Ted Morgan, co-chairman of the Thursday: Thrive Global #Throwback Thursday: The Stone Soup Leadership Institute's programs encouraged young people to serve. Read how City Year's Morgan Hauck inspired hundreds of young people, teachers, schools to help organizations on Martha's Vineyard for Make a Difference Day. Our mission remains the same today: to inspire and educate young people to become leaders in their lives, communities, and our world.

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CITY YEAR

30,000+City Year alums

Schools partnering with City Year:

- 3x more likely to improve proficiency in math.
- 2x more likely to improve on state English assessments.
- Foster a positive learning
 environment.

#FridayReads: Something Greater Than Themselves

This heartwarming story tells how City Year, founded by Michael Brown and Alan Khazei, transformed the life for an inner-city boy named Herman, who went on to become a City Year member and earning his GED. It is a testament to how a ripple of hope can create a tide of change.

Follow us for more stories about inspirational leaders who followed a call to serve something greater than themselves.

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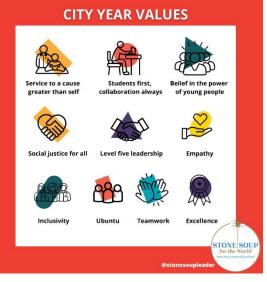
Saturday: City Year Statistics

Evidence shows that more time spent with City Year members improves learning outcomes. For City Year alums, the life-changing experience brings rewards to last a lifetime. Many volunteers return for second year!

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Saturday: City Year's Values

For three decades, City Year members have embodied the values of the Peace Corps and the Civil Rights Movement to carry on their legacy of helping others. What are you doing to honor your heroes?

Follow us to be inspired by everyday heroes whose purpose-driven values help to work to make the world better.

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