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THE QC **CARING** ASSIGNMENT

A small but powerful example of collective giving.

Your investment in the QC Caring Assignment created a ripple effect of positive transformation throughout our community.

With your support, students and young professionals flexed their leadership skills and multiplied their $100 investment to create positive change in the lives of numerous Quad Citizens.

THANK YOU for supporting our young leaders in making meaningful change in the Quad Cities that will lead to brighter futures!

Multiply Impact Sponsors

Thanks to you, students and young professionals are stepping up to multiply your investment to help their neighbors in need. Because of your generosity, these emerging leaders are helping to spark a movement of caring here in the Quad Cities. **Keep reading to see how they're making a difference.**

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Young Leaders Helping the Community

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Moline Teen Sets Eyes to the Sky When Inspiring Young Pilots

Katrina Pfeiffer teamed up with Elliott Aviation to help young people discover possible careers in aviation through visits to QC schools and libraries. She will also be hosting an event with Elliott Aviation on Feb. 4, where aspiring aviators can tour facilities, do crafts, and even fly at no cost to them.

Augustana Student Gives Back to Nonprofit Making a Difference in Friend's Life

Daniel Ford, a junior at Augustana College, raised $1,325 via GoFundMe and donated it to GiGi's Playhouse in honor of his best friend, who has down syndrome and utilizes the achievement center. Ford says philanthropy and giving back is something he hopes to continue beyond the Caring Assignment. Daniel tells us philanthropy is in his blood. He said, "This is home to me, and giving back just feels good."

St. Ambrose Student Helps Fellow Students and Struggling Families

Faith McCubbin, a St. Ambrose University student, partnered with Davenport Central High School to raise funds and collect donations of basic necessities. Her impact is going beyond the $700 she raised. Countless items were also given to SAU students and struggling families. Plus, her leadership experience has laid the foundation for future job prospects, as Faith has landed an internship through the connections she made.

Photo courtesy of the Quad-City Times.

Young Professionals Support Newly Settled Refugee Family

Sam Brown, Bryce Bowers, Chase Mason, Noah Seys, Alison Lawrence, Anima Upadhyay & Izabella Vega are a group of students and young professionals who worked together to raise nearly $3,000 to help a refugee family from Cameroon gain access to reliable transportation.

TOTAL IMPACT MADE

NEARLY $10K distributed to help families and neighbors in need.

15 local organizations and schools impacted by our community's next generation of leaders.

26 impact projects organized by 36 students to help improve our community.

Completed Assignments

Keirstyn Johnson

St. Ambrose University

Purchased turkeys for Big Brothers Big Sisters to raffle off for Thanksgiving. The turkeys were given to participating BBBS families.

Deon Harrison

St. Ambrose University

Created a raffle that raised $400 for One Eighty, an organization bringing hope to individuals impacted by crisis, poverty or addiction.

Grace Murk

St. Ambrose University

Organized a free-will donation drive to purchase hygiene products for the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center.

Grace Finney

Augustana College

Held a fundraising event and raised more than enough to cover the $800 goal of sending one child to Camp Kesem, a summer camp for children affected by a parent with cancer.

Madeline Blackbourn

St. Ambrose University

Doubled her investment to provide holiday treats to participants at GiGi's Playhouse.

Malcolm Walker

St. Ambrose University

Provided high school students with a chance to explore the possibility of college through Bee Connected, a mentorship partnership program between St. Ambrose University and Davenport Central High School.

Avery Frick

Augustana College

Quadrupled her investment to provide support to First Tee of the Quad Cities. This youth development organization integrates the game of golf with a life skills curriculum, active learning experiences and resiliency.

Caleb Perry, Clay DeBaillie, Matt Straus, William Weems, Stephanie Carreno

Augustana College

Partnered with Augustana College's Office of Student Inclusion and Diversity to host an event for kids at Lonnie Ray's Community Center. The group shared stories and showed that college is a pathway to opportunity and to "find a sense of belonging."

In Progress Assignments

Alexis Osei-Kofi & RaMaya Johnson

Augustana College

Will hold an etiquette class for female-identifying students. The class will be free to attend, with donations going to Family Resource's Bridge House Program.

Belen Sanchez

Black Hawk College

Has been putting aside money from each paycheck to save an anticipated $300 for a Quad Cities veterans' organization.

Kyle Rohlf

IBEW Local 145 JATC

Intends on quadrupling his investment to remove cost barriers for others entering into apprenticeship programs in pursuit of a career in the electrical trade.

Ashley Williams

St. Ambrose University

Currently running a T-shirt fundraiser to bring awareness to mental health in the QC. The proceeds from this fundraiser will be donated to TMBC at the Lincoln Center.

Ty Lewis

Emerging Leader / St. Ambrose Graduate

Raising money for a college scholarship program that will provide financial support to students looking to continue their education and enter the workforce.

Audrey Lamb

Western Illinois University

WQPT intern multiplied the original $100 at a WQPT pledge event (proceed numbers pending). Proceeds will help provide support services to refugee families in Moline.

Shannon Kenney

Augustana College

Is teaming up with Augustana's Boundless Health and Wellness Club to make tie blankets to be donated to Closet2Closet.

Kateri Pfeiffer

Homeschooled with dual credit at Blackhawk College

Aims to create a safe space for teens to meet and hang out in the Quad Cities. Around 40 students attended the first event where they played board games and basketball.

Omnia Salih

Augustana College

Working to increase access to art therapy in the Quad Cities, especially for immigrant and refugee families. She has held a free art class at the Figge and will soon be pitching her idea to World Relief. She hopes to continue the program with their support.

Alaina Giftos

St. Ambrose University

Collecting business professional attire to donate to the career fair closet at St. Ambrose. Many students do not have money to spend on professional clothing for events, this option gives students access to free clothing so they can dress for success.

Briseyda Ayala

United Township High School

Accepting donations of hygiene products and other basic necessities for women who have experienced domestic abuse.

Aniya Wilson

Assumption High School

Exploring how to maximize her investment through a philanthropic project partnership with Teens 4 Tomorrow, an initiative of the Quad Cities Community Foundation.