2019-2020 Academic Year At-A-Glance

This was an unprecedented year as the coronavirus upended daily life across the globe, requiring strict physical distancing, shifts to virtual learning, and cancelling many spring events. But against all odds, UMD’s Do Good Community continued to create meaningful impact.

Students engaged in hands-on, project-based, and research-focused social impact, philanthropy, and leadership courses, giving them needed skills to make a difference. The fast growing Nonprofit Leadership and Social Innovation minor now includes undergrads from 55 different majors and every School and College.

Our team awarded 180+ grants and stipends to student and alum teams as well as faculty to empower thousands of Terps to take action and grow their impact.

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In the News: Almost 40 publications featured our research on charitable behaviors this year, including:

Below is a sampling of students and alums who have leveraged Do Good programs and support to scale their impact.

Driving Impact

- **Camp Kesem**, 2019 Do Good Challenge finalist, hosted a virtual gala that attracted 1,000+ attendees and raised more than $20,000; and they will offer at-home summer camp to 65 kids whose parents have been affected by cancer.

- **DMV Fighting COVID** created and donated 9,000+ 3D-printed face shields and masks to 20+ local organizations fighting on the front lines against COVID-19. Our support more than tripled their production of PPEs.

- **The Giving Square**, Do Good Accelerator Member, expanded its children’s philanthropy program to 450 students and 21 schools this year, many of which are Title I.

- **Hydraze**, 2019 Do Good Challenge winner, secured $15,000 from the Pitch Dingman Competition and expanded to a number of university buildings and local businesses. Early estimates show a significant reduction in the amount of water wasted per toilet.

- **James Hollister Wellness Foundation**, 2017 Do Good Challenge winner, has provided recycled medications to 50,000 people in Central and South America.

- **Peer to Peer**, Accelerator Fellow, mentored 90 middle and high school refugee students in Prince George’s County and 9 out of the 10 graduating seniors are attending college.

- In just three weeks, **ROOTS Africa**, Do Good Challenge winner, has provided recycled medications to 50,000 people in Central and South America.

Developing Leaders

- **Accelerator Fellow Chelsea Brown** (MPM ‘20) earned one of three William Randolph Hearst Fellowships from the Aspen Institute to work with its program on philanthropy and social innovation.

- **Logan Dechter** ’20 was a Maryland Medallion Society winner, representing one of 20 of the brightest and most capable student leaders, for his work with Camp Kesem, 2019 Do Good Challenge finalist.

- **Evan Lutz** ’14, founder of Hungry Harvest, 2014 Do Good Challenge finalist, received the Alumni Association’s EnTERPreneur of the Year Award. His company has rescued 20 million pounds of food from going to waste.

- **Cedric Nwafor** ’18, founder of ROOTS Africa, won the Most Innovative Award from Universitas 21’s RISE Awards for Innovation, Impact, and Potential after competing against teams from 27 universities around the world.

- **TIAA Fellow Sylvia Sedrak** (MPM ’19) was awarded the highly competitive (only 18 out of 1,600 are selected) Catholic Relief Services International Development Fellowship to work in Egypt.

Advancing Careers

Recent alums are tackling pressing issues with leading organizations including,

- A. James and Alice B. Clark Foundation
- Arabella Advisors
- Catholic Relief Services
- Citibank
- The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation
- Johns Hopkins School of Medicine
- Manna Food Center
- The Nature Conservancy
- Partnership for Public Service
- Population Services International
- Richard E. and Nancy P. Marriott Foundation
- TIAA
- Venture for America

...among many others!