

## College-Community Connections

Albion College believes that civic engagement is an important component in its educational mission. The following list outlines some of the ways in which representatives of Albion College are working in partnership with the Greater Albion community.

### 1. President's Office

- Oaklawn Hospital Board
- Chemical Bank Board
- Albion Philanthropic Women
- Albion-Homer United Way Campaign
- Greater Albion Chamber of Commerce Board
- Martin Luther King, Jr., Convocation and programs
- College Community Connection group
- Festival of the Forks Advisory Committee
- Health Alliance Benefit Committee
- Calhoun County Agricultural and Industrial Society Advisory Council
- Donations of used computers, furniture and in-kind services.

### 2. Faculty & Academic Departments

- After school science program for Fourth-Eighth Graders
- Geology program for Fifth Graders
- Middle School Girls' Club
- Jessie's Gift mentoring
- Albion Youth Theatre
- Religion teachers in churches, synagogues; choir participation
- Global warming dialogue with area churches
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance
- AAUW members and programs
- Albion Trails Committee, Calhoun County Trailways Alliance, Canoe Club river clean-ups
- Albion Peace Community
- Albion High School Alumni Association, Albion College Music Fraternity support for high school band
- Health and Physical Education practicum students in public schools and city recreation department
- Program for Athletic Coaches Education offered in area school districts
- Athletic complex use by Albion Public Schools groups, sports camps, soccer clinics for Albion youth
- Whitehouse Nature Center: public facility, programs for school groups, teacher training, recycling Web site, regional environmental affiliations, joint projects with Kids 'N' Stuff, River Committee, Albion Community Garden, Calhoun County Wild Ones Board
- NAACP Board members, Johnson Child Care Board, Summit Pointe Board, Kids at Hope Board
- Albion School-Based Health & Wellness Program Board, coordination of peer health advocates, Health & Wellness Action Team, Kids Cardiac Program
- Service on City of Albion Boards and Commissions
- Empty Bowls Project
- Gerstacker Institute: Part time employees, interns, DDA, Recreation Dept. volunteers, Downtown Catalyst Group, Board of Albion EDC, tutors, Red Cross Blood Drives, Festival of the Forks

- Ford Institute: community interns, Operation Bentley, Harrington School tutors and Junior Achievement Program, DDA Board, public lectures, MLK Convocation, Forks Senior Center, Calhoun Health Plan board, Oaklawn Hospital Development Committee
- Bobbitt Gallery open public exhibits
- Mothers of Preschoolers program, Children's Book Week readers
- Education Department and Shurmur Institute: Collaboration with public schools, Maymester—26 prospective teachers in APS classrooms, student teachers, mentors; approximately 80 field placements annually in area schools
- Development of disc golf course in Victory Park
- Jazz band performances
- Repertory Dance Company performance in public schools
- Honors Institute: Middle and High School tutoring program, nursing home volunteers, high school forensics team coaching
- Psychology student interns in area daycare centers, other agencies
- FLES—Foreign Languages in Elementary Schools (tutors)
- Noisy-le-Roi Sister City project committee, host families
- Pre-Medical & Health Care student interns, volunteers, EMT's, Neighborhood Health Visitors
- Eco Club and Environmental Institute: Adopt-A-Road Clean Up Project, Environmental House programs
- College Library—access for community borrowers, archives, Albion Reads reading group, shared library system with public library, Mudd computer lab, Poetry Fest, Federal Depository service for 7th Congressional District residents, free Odd Topics presentations, Friends of the Library Book Sale
- Forks Community Technology Group
- Rotary Club of Albion
- Friends of the Library Board
- Rice Creek FURSCA research
- Chemistry Club programs in elementary schools
- Gender Equity Program in Albion Middle School, Building Assets in Middle School Girls
- Sexual Assault Advocates for Sexual Assault Services of Calhoun County
- Volunteer athletic team coaches
- Community Arts projects
- Drama program at Mar Lee Middle School
- Music Department concerts and performances open to public, marching band in community parades and events, choir clinics in public schools, Music Center of South Central Michigan
- Humane Society of South Central Michigan board
- AIM Board of Directors
- Albion Board of Education

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### **3. Student Service Groups/Campus Organizations/ Student Affairs Staff**

- Albion City Council
- Albion Youth Theatre
- AYSO soccer coaches, coordinators
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance
- Student Volunteer Bureau and Alpha Phi Omega: wide variety of service projects
- Middle School mentoring, Harrington School playground renovation
- Albion College Habitat for Humanity chapter
- Transformation Ministries, Substance Abuse Council, tutors
- Interfraternity Council, Panhellenic Council, Sororities & Fraternities (tutors, food and clothing drives)
- Kids at Hope Youth Center aides, tutors
- AIM fundraisers and volunteer support
- Girl Scout volunteers
- Albion Planning Commission
- Health & Wellness Action Team, Kids Cardiac Life Support, nursing home friends
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- Harrington School tutors, Sixth-Grade Field Day
- Sigma Alpha Iota music programs in Harrington School
- CROP Walk, Walk for Warmth, Relay for Life
- Host Family Program, Volunteer athletic coaches
- Festival of the Forks volunteers
- Rotary Club of Albion
- First-Year student tours of downtown
- Disc golf orientation and training

### **4. College Grant-Funded Programs (Gerstacker, Kellogg Foundation, etc.)—funding for community projects**

- City of Albion River Trail
- Family Health Center of Albion
- Habitat for Humanity homes
- Kids 'N' Stuff Interactive Children's Museum
- Forks Technology Project, Albion Technology Incubator
- Upjohn Institute internship
- Economic Development Corporation consultant
- Maymester project
- Mary Sheldon Ismon House
- Festival of the Forks
- City of Albion property acquisitions
- Art at the Forks

### **5. Chaplain's Office**

- Active member of Albion Ministerial Association
- Advisor to student religious and service groups
- Active in faith-based service, educational and advocacy initiatives
- Liaison to area religious organizations

### **6. Other Administrative Departments**

- Finance & Administration: Albion Community Ambulance Coordinator, Albion Community Foundation Board, bookkeeping for Youth Development Coalition

- Dining & Hospitality: facilities available for public use
- Institutional Advancement: Middle School "Girl Talk" program, Albion Community Foundation Board, Shop with a Cop, Albion Trails Committee, publicity for college programs, exhibits, and performances open to community members, Web site support for area non-profits, community guide on Web site; AIM Christmas baskets, Red Cross board, Recreation Dept. coaches
- Information Technology: training & tutorials, lab open for community users, FORKS collaboration, United Way Board
- Facilities Operations: Recreation Dept. volunteers, City entryway signs, landscaping, Victory Park Summer Concerts, WIA Program, support for Albion Public Schools, Festival of the Forks, DDA city-campus corridor committee
- Admission Office: seminars for area high school students, community volunteers, AYSO Regional Coordinator, Girl Scout board
- Financial Aid: 39 work-study students placed in community positions, presentations to area schools and personalized counseling for area families regarding financial aid
- Albion Community Garden volunteers
- Host families for exchange students

### **7. Alumni**

- Albion Economic Development Corporation
- Albion Public Schools Board of Education
- Albion Public Schools faculty & staff
- Albion Volunteer Service Organization
- Aqua Cats Swim Program
- Greater Albion Chamber of Commerce
- Albion Public Schools Health & Wellness Program

### **8. Board of Trustees**

- Albion Economic Development Corporation Board
- Community Relations Committee
- Starr Commonwealth Board of Directors
- Downtown development grants

### **9. Emeriti Faculty and Other Retirees**

- Health & Wellness Action Team, Wildcat Wellness Center, Sexual Assault Services volunteers
- Albion Interfaith Ministries
- Albion Academy for Lifelong Learning (AALL)
- Mary Sheldon Ismon House
- Albion Habitat for Humanity, Rotary Club of Albion
- Kids Cardiac Life Support, Albion Community Initiative Home Repairs
- Public school tutors
- Red Cross blood drive donors and volunteers
- Sister City host families

### **10. Family Members of College Employees**

- Kids 'N' Stuff Interactive Children's Museum Board
- Albion City Council, Sheridan Twp. Board
- Public school teachers, staff, volunteers
- Albion Public Library, AYSO leadership, Albion Youth Theatre
- Grant writing for school music programs, Wildcat Stars Program

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