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Yale Alumni Give Back in Worldwide Day of Service on Saturday, May 11

New Haven, Conn. – On Saturday, May 11, 2019, [insert local group/project details – who, what, when, where]. This project is part of the 11th global Yale Day of Service, where more than 4,000 Yale University alumni will make a difference in their local communities around the world. The program includes more than 240 sites in 48 states and U.S. territories and 18 other countries. To view a complete list of sites, please visit: <u>http://yaledayofservice.org/find-service-site/all-service-sites</u>.

Launched in 2009, the global Yale Day of Service (YDoS) is one of a host of service opportunities for Yale alumni to lead by sharing their time and talents to make a difference in their local communities. Together, alumni and their families and friends work side by side to make communities better because Yale alumni live there. Examples of previous projects include:

- Assembling snack bags for children at the Vogel Alcove for homeless children in Dallas
- Developing a master plan for the Los Angeles River in partnership with the city of LA
- Invasive species removal on Horse Island owned by Yale's Peabody Museum
- Assisting a children's center in an impoverished area of Manila in the Philippines
- Restoring oyster beds in Baltimore
- Building a "play hive" at the Children's Museum of Bozeman in Montana
- Mentoring students on college and careers in Seattle
- Processing food bank donations in Madrid

Several first-time YDoS projects lead to ongoing community service projects throughout the year. In addition, while the Yale Day of Service typically takes place on the second Saturday in May, there are a number of activities that occur on other dates in the spring that accommodate various organizational and volunteer needs.

Members of the media are welcome at Yale Day of Service sites and are encourage to contact program coordinator Alisa Masterson in advance at <u>mara.balk@yale.edu</u> or 203-436-8820, or to contact the specific site coordinator.

For more information on the Yale Day of Service, please visit: <u>http://yaledayofservice.org</u> and for more information on the Yale Alumni Association, please visit: http://alumni.yale.edu