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St. Mary's University Again Recognized for Outstanding Efforts at Service and Civic Engagement

St. Mary's is one of two Texas institutions listed in national Honor Roll with Distinction category

The President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll has again recognized St. Mary's University for its strong commitment to service and civic engagement. St. Mary's is one of only two Texas colleges and universities included in the 2012 Honor Roll with Distinction list.

The Corporation for National and Community Service oversees the annual President's Higher Education Community Service Honor roll. St. Mary's has made the Honor Roll every year since it was launched six years ago. Last May, the Corporation for National and Community Service named St. Mary's University one of just six colleges and universities to receive the Presidential Award, recognizing St. Mary's as a top institution in the nation for volunteering, service-learning and civic engagement.

"As a community committed academic excellence, service and civic engagement, we should see these national recognitions as evidence of our success, and that our faculty, staff and students are dedicated to putting the St. Mary's mission into action by coordinating and cooperating with the community around us," said St. Mary's University President Charles L. Cotrell, Ph.D.

The Community Service Honor Roll has recognized St. Mary's for its many community service and service learning programs, including the University's Neighborhood Revitalization Project and numerous outreach and mentoring programs, including Upward Bound, which pairs young people with mentors to encourage high school graduation and college success; Stand and Deliver, which provides SAT preparation and mentorship; and Fiesta of Physics, which introduces minority and at-risk student populations to the possibilities and fun of science.

St. Mary's University has been repeatedly nationally recognized for its commitment to service and community engagement. The Carnegie Foundation has given St. Mary's its prestigious Community Engagement Classification, and the University is ranked second in the nation by *Washington Monthly's* 2011 "College Rankings—What Can Colleges Do for the Country?" for promoting community service, fostering scientific and humanistic research, and social mobility. St. Mary's University is a Catholic and Marianist university.

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