National Make a Difference Day: FAQ

Q: My chapter is currently busy on Make a Difference Day. Can we have an event on a different day and still count toward Make a Difference Day?

A: To receive credit for participating in one of the two national initiatives, your event must be recorded as being held on National Make a Difference Day.

Q: I remember last year's Make a Difference Day being earlier/later. Does the date move?

A: Yes. Make a Difference Day is always the fourth Saturday in October, so where it appears during the month moves from year to year.

Q: Is there only one event we can do to participate in Make a Difference Day?

A: No. The only qualification for Make a Difference Day is to participate in a community service event. The only limitation is that it needs to be recorded as taking place on Make a Difference Day.

Q: My chapter is going to LEAD on that day. Is there a way to participate even though we will not be at our college?

A: Yes. All LEADs have community service events. For those LEADs being held on Make a Difference Day, participating in the LEAD community service event counts as a national event. The provincial chair will track your participation, but your chapter will still need to submit the event in CMP to receive credit.

Q: It's our college's Homecoming. Our chapter is unwilling to commit to going someplace on that day. Is there a way we can still participate?

A: Absolutely. There are many forms of community service, some of which are collections. On Homecoming, one of the easiest ways to participate include collecting pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House.

Q: My chapter already has a large event planned on campus that day. How can we still participate?

A: For whatever the event is, have the entrance fee of the event be a can of food for a local food bank. This is an easy way to collect food and still have your event. A community service event does not need to be a stand-alone event, but rather can be combined with other events to help keep calendars from being filled.