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The University of Mississippi works diligently to strengthen the surrounding community. Here's a quick look at just some of the ways the Ole Miss family helped others in 2014.

San Mateo Empowerment Project

The San Mateo Empowerment Project began when UM students met with the people of San Mateo, Belize, and recognized the need for adequate roads and bridges. They broke ground on the ongoing project in 2010. To donate to the cause, click [here](#).

The Big Event

The Big Event is the largest community service project at Ole Miss. In recent years, more than 3,000 students sign up to complete community service projects in the surrounding Oxford-Lafayette community that range from yard work and painting to assisting the elderly. For more information, click [here](#).

Ole Miss Opportunity Scholarship

This [scholarship](#) covers basic costs for low-income students. Its mission is to provide access to education for those in need.

Division of Outreach and Continuing Education

This [division](#) of UM provides financial support for academically qualified high school students in the Delta with opportunities to earn college credit.

Mississippi Teacher Corps

This is an alternate-route [teaching program](#) that places college graduates as teachers in the most poverty-stricken areas of the state while they earn their master's degrees. As a result, about half of MTC alumni are still teaching in these low-performing schools five years after graduation, working to improve the education there.

School of Law VITA Tax Clinic

Law students provide tax support to low-income residents each tax season and help with e-files and paper returns. This year, the clinic earned the **2014 Pro Bono Award** from the Mississippi Volunteer Lawyers Project.

Pharm at the Parham

Pharmacy students at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson organized a [health event](#) at Parham Bridges Park, where about 40 students measured blood glucose, blood pressure and BMI to screen for chronic diseases and offered counseling on medication use.

Feed the Hunger Pack-A-Thon

Four years ago, Ole Miss became the first university to host a [Pack-A-Thon](#) to put together meals for needy families in Africa. Students packed more than 100,000 meals this year in the effort to fight hunger.

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