Wofford's Bonner Scholars collect donations for Spartanburg nonprofits

Not everyone will be heading home for the holidays. For some, there's no home to go to.

With Thanksgiving just around the corner and the holidays closing in fast, Wofford's Bonner Scholars are doing their part to raise awareness and collect donations for some of Spartanburg's most vulnerable citizens. As part of the annual Hunger & Homelessness Week campaign, students on Tuesday, Nov. 17, manned information tables and gathered donations for St. Luke's Free Medical Clinic and Total Ministries.

"We're primarily asking for food and personal care items," says Marisa Barrera '22, a biology and Spanish major from Gaffney, South Carolina, who helped organize Tuesday's events. She recently began volunteering at St. Luke's and hopes to stock the organization's food pantry. Read more.
Wofford's study abroad program consistently maintains high national ranking

Wofford's study abroad program is among the highest-ranked nationally by the Institute of International Education. The institute released its annual Open Doors Report Nov. 16. The college ranks No. 9 in the percentage of students studying abroad for academic credit, No. 12 for short-term study abroad and No. 13 for the total number of students studying abroad among baccalaureate institutions. Read more.
A team of Terriers finished second overall in SC Innovates, a state-wide venture pitch contest in its first year for student entrepreneurs.

Rivers Clarke ‘21, an English and studio art major from Columbia, South Carolina, and Drake Ives ‘22, a business economics major from Sumter, South Carolina, pitched their Big Leagues Ball Club concept during the contest. Big Leagues Ball Club provides a digital platform that allows parents to find and pay student-athletes willing to give sports lessons to children.

Clarke and Ives won $2,625 with their second-place finish.

Wofford College was well represented in the final round of SC Innovates. Seventy-seven teams from 16 South Carolina colleges and universities entered the competition, which came to an end Wednesday night with three teams from Wofford reaching the final round of 15. In all, 10 Wofford teams entered the contest. Read more.

**Wofford excels in latest NCAA Graduation Success Rate Data**

The NCAA has released the latest Graduation Success Rate for all Division I institutions. Wofford had 10 of 13 teams post a score of 100, the highest score available. The overall GSR for Wofford was a 97, which ranked second in the Southern Conference. Read more.

**Four alumni elected to fill vacancies on Wofford's Board of Trustees**

The South Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church elected four Wofford alumni to fill vacancies on the college’s Board of Trustees during a virtual meeting in
October. The election was scheduled for June but was postponed because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thomas L. Bower III '74, R. Howard Coker '85, Dr. English C. Flack '00 and B. Shawan Gillians '04 were elected to the board. The new trustees are filling seats vacated by trustees whose terms expired in June. Read more.