

Want to bring **hope** to your College?

We're glad that you want to establish a HOPE Service Chapter at your college. It's a simple process, and the HOPE Team wants to help you succeed! Now, here's what you have to do...

- 1 Get on the HOPE website and introduce yourself to us.** Inform the HOPE Team of your intention to establish a HOPE Service Chapter at your college by clicking the “colleges” link under the “enroll today” menu option at www.hopevolunteers.org. All secure information you provide through those forms allows our Team knowledge of your intent to bring HOPE to your college and is beneficial as we will be able to assist you in finding an appropriate special needs school if needed. Also, the HOPE Team wants to know how to contact you as we will be helping you during the development of your HOPE Service Chapter.
- 2 Email us to get a valuable HOPE manual.** After you fill out the required forms (above), please email development@hopevolunteers.org with your name and college. HOPE staff will then email you a very vital document entitled “**HOPE Service Chapter Leaders’ Manual**”. In addition to documenting the mission, goals, and history of HOPE, this **Manual** will assist you and other students to work to charter and successfully lead your college’s HOPE Service Chapter.
- 3 Talk with your college’s student development office.** Notify your student development office (or equivalent office that deals with chartering new student organizations at your college) about HOPE. Make sure they know that you are very excited to establish a HOPE Service Chapter at your college. Provide them with the HOPE website address and share the **Manual** with them. Get them pumped about this great opportunity that you want to bring to your college!
- 4 Excite your friends and other students at your college.** Develop and cultivate interest from students at your college who will join your HOPE Service Chapter. The **Manual** details ways to go about doing this in addition to other pertinent tasks, like fundraising and leadership, that help HOPE Service Chapters thrive.
- 5 Develop a constitution and work to get chartered.** Work with your student development office to develop your HOPE Service Chapter’s constitution (formatting help is in the **Manual**) and work to get HOPE chartered at your college.
- 6 Partner with a special needs school.** Develop a partnership with a local special needs school as close as possible to your college. Information about making a partnership is found in the **Manual**. This school will serve as the school that your HOPE Service Chapter supports through your Hopesters and special events.
- 7 Update us at HOPE about your chapter.** Constantly communicate your progress in establishing your HOPE Service Chapter with the HOPE Team; let us know what’s going on, what stage you’re at, how many members you have, etc. Please email these updates to development@hopevolunteers.org.