

# Sed Min Community Project FAQs

## Eligibility & Participation

### **Who can participate in the Sed Min Community Project?**

Anyone connected to the Wellesley community is welcome to join the Sed Min Community Project! This includes alumnae, students, faculty, staff, families, and friends.

### **Can my friends or family participate with me, even if they're not part of the Wellesley community?**

Yes! We encourage you to bring friends, family, neighbors, or colleagues along. Service is more impactful and fun when shared with others.

### **Can students, faculty, or staff log service hours too, or is this just for alumnae?**

Yes, this is a community-wide initiative. Students, faculty, and staff are all encouraged to participate and log their hours.

### **Can I organize a group project with my local alumnae club or SIG?**

Absolutely! Group projects are a great way to build community and make a big impact. Be sure to encourage all participants to log their own hours individually so they count toward our community total.

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## Types of Service

### **What kinds of activities count as service?**

We welcome a wide range of service activities! Examples include volunteering at food pantries, cleaning up parks, mentoring, tutoring, advocacy work, fundraising for a cause, caregiving, or helping a neighbor. If your work supports a community or contributes to the public good, and is unpaid, it likely qualifies.



**Do I have to volunteer through a formal organization, or can I just help a neighbor or community member?**

Informal acts of service count too. Helping a neighbor with errands, providing child care for someone in need, or organizing a donation drive are all great examples.

**Do one-time or informal acts of kindness count (e.g., helping someone move, tutoring a student, cooking for a shelter)?**

Yes, absolutely. Every act of service matters and contributes to our shared goal.

**Does the volunteer work I already do in my role as a Wellesley volunteer count towards this project?**

While volunteering for Wellesley is one of our favorite types of service, our 150th project is focused on serving our wider community. We encourage you to use your role as a Wellesley volunteer to help get other community members involved.

**I already volunteer regularly at an existing organization. Can I submit those hours?**

Yes! If you're already active in your community, simply log your hours to contribute to our community-wide goal.

**Can I count service I've done before the official project start date?**

Our project counts hours completed between May 23, 2025, and May 31, 2026.

**Do I need to track my hours exactly, or is an estimate okay?**

Estimates are fine! We ask that you make a good-faith estimate of your time spent volunteering. Round to the nearest half or full hour.

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## Logging Hours

### How do I submit my hours?

Use the "Log Your Hours" form available on the Sed Min Community Project page. You can submit hours anytime throughout the project period.

### Can I submit hours more than once for different activities?

Yes! We encourage you to submit on a rolling basis as you complete service throughout the year.

### Is there a deadline to submit hours?

All hours must be submitted by 11:59 pm ET on May 31, 2026.

### What information do I need to include when I log my hours?

The form will ask for your name, class year or Wellesley affiliation, a brief description of your service, and the number of hours served.

### I volunteered as part of a group—should we all log our hours individually, or can one person submit for the group?

We recommend that each participant log their own hours so we can track the full scope of community involvement. However, a group leader may submit on behalf of others if they provide accurate totals.

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## Photos & Media

### Can I share photos or videos from my service project?

Yes! We invite you to share photos and videos by sending them to [alumnae@wellesley.edu](mailto:alumnae@wellesley.edu).

### Where will the submitted media be used or shared?

Media may be shared on Wellesley College's digital platforms, in alumnae communications, and during Reunion and other 150th celebrations.

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## T-Shirts & Recognition

### **How do I order my volunteer exclusive T-shirt?**

Once you log your hours, you'll receive a confirmation email with a link to order your Non Ministrari Sed Ministrare T-shirt. Shirts are available in Wellesley blue and class colors.

### **Do I need to submit a minimum number of hours to qualify for a shirt?**

No minimum is required. If you participate and log hours, you're eligible to purchase a shirt.

### **When will I receive my volunteer exclusive T-shirt?**

Shirts will ship to order. Please allow time for printing and fulfillment.

### **Will I be recognized in any other way for participating?**

Yes! We'll be highlighting stories, photos, and names of select participants throughout the year.

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## Wider Impact

### **How close are we to the 150,000-hour goal?**

Visit the Sed Min Community Project page anytime to view a dynamic progress tracker and see how many hours have been logged so far - then share with your Wellesley circles to help us push closer to our goal!

### **Where can I see stories or highlights from other volunteers?**

We'll share stories throughout the year on the project page, on social media, and in alumnae newsletters. You might even see yours featured!

### **How will this initiative be celebrated at the end of the sesquicentennial year?**

Towards the end of our 150th celebration year, we'll look forward to sharing more about the project's full impact in other 150th-themed events and communications. Stay tuned for more details!