

## City of Ventura partners with 550 students from CLU for the school's largest community service project



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### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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**Event:** The City of Ventura will partner with 550 students from California Lutheran University (CLU) for the school's largest community service learning project, called "You Got Served". CLU's entire incoming freshmen class and transfer students will work alongside city staff cleaning, painting and beautifying five Ventura sites including: Arroyo Verde Park, Camino Real Park, Marina Park, the historic Olivas Adobe and the Westpark Community Center.

This is the 7th year the city's Volunteer Ventura! Program has partnered with the university. From 2008 – 2013, CLU students and city staff removed more than 57 tons of trash and debris from the Ventura and Santa Clara Riverbeds. In 2012, the project also removed invasive ice plant from the Ventura Harbor Wetlands Ecological Reserve.

CLU President Dr. Chris Kimball and other faculty members will also assist students in this service learning project intended to connect students to our local community and show what can be accomplished through public-private partnerships.

**Date & Time:** Tuesday, September 2, 2014 from 12noon to 3pm

**Locations:** Arroyo Verde Park (Foothill Road & Day Road), Camino Real Park (Dean Drive & Varsity Street), Marina Park (South end of Pierpont Blvd.), the historic Olivas Adobe (4200 Olivas Park Drive) and the Westpark Community Center (450 W. Harrison Avenue)

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