





## IMPACT REPORT

## RUSS MAWBY SIGNATURE SERVICE PROJECT 2019

n May 17, 2019, you honored the legacy of Russ Mawby, a tremendous advocate for youth and volunteer service, through the 2019 Signature Service. The Sylvester

Broome Empowerment Village's vision is to develop and invest in youth to transform Flint into a just and equitable city. Dewey Park, located just behind SBEV, is a neighborhood park designed to meet the needs of local children and families. While the park received a new playground in 2018, the area needed some clean-up. The surrounding neighborhood has experience blight and neglect, with the need being too much for local residents to tackle on their own. With the support of SBEV, AmeriCorps members spent SSP 2019 cleaning up the park and the neighborood to make it more livable and safe.

At several different locations, members worked together to clear brush and debris, clean vacant properties, beautify and clean the park, and more. You engaged in 5 different projects inside SBEV - from completing book packets for families of newborns to making window decals to adorn boarded-up properties.

Thanks for a great day of service!

members serving

800

volunteer service hours Collectively, you were able to:

- Fill 100 bags of yard waste
- Remove 80 yards of brush and debris
- Remove 35 trash bags of litter
- Complete 869 book packets to be distributed at local hospitals
- Make 202 dog toys for neighborhood friends
- Decorate 150 window decorations to be given to neighborhood groups to help deter crime.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for your continued service to the Flint community! Together we fight, together we WIN!

"It's a joy to see AmeriCorps members serving from so many programs come together to help beautify our community."
- Corey Archambault, Flint National Service Accelerator, United Way of Genesee County

\$21,052 impact of service



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## **VOLUNTEER/MEMBER FEEDBACK**

"The [Dewey Park] adopter has already done such a tremendous job and we were all excited to give him a helping hand...I am continuously amazed by all AmeriCorps members' willingness to serve and was happy to be a part of such an impactful event for the City of Flint."

- Kevin Finn, City of Flint Master Plan Implementation AmeriCorps VISTA member

"The kids at Sylvester Broome Empowerment Village always comment about how great everything looks now!"

- Ashley Mosley, Flint Recovery Corps AmeriCorps member serving at Sylvester Broome Empowerment Village
  - AdviseMI
  - AmeriCorps LISC
  - Boys and Girls Club VISTA Program
  - City of Flint VISTA Program
  - Flint Community School Corps
  - Flint Recovery Corps
  - Flint Urban Safety Corps
  - FoodCorps

- Genesee County Opioid Abuse Prevention VISTA Program
- Michigan Nonprofit Association VISTA Program
- AmeriCorps NCCC
- Reading Corps
- STEM Corps AmeriCorps
- Together We Prepare AmeriCorps
- Up2Us AmeriCorps
- 4-H STEAM Corps



















Before and After

## The Russ Mawby Signature Service Project

Dr. Russell –"Russ" – Mawby was a tremendous advocate for youth and volunteer service. Dr. Mawby was instrumental in convening a series of meetings leading to the formation of the Michigan Community Service Commission. Dr. Mawby passed away on October 20, 2017, leaving behind his legacy as a philanthropic leader and a devoted community service advocate. To honor Dr. Mawby's commitment to volunteerism, service, and AmeriCorps, it is only fitting that the service project has been named Michigan's AmeriCorps Regional Russ Mawby Signature Service Project for more than a decade. - *Michigan Community Service Commission* 











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