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Office of Community Engagement
Unit of Community Service

2022-2023





Meet-UP with New Students

September 2022
Ajman University

O.C.E invited newly registered students to a Meet-Up, offering them an opportunity to explore our office, the Unit of Community Service, our roles, objectives, Volunteers' stories, and more. In addition, the Meet-Up aimed to familiarize them with our platform through a presentation, featuring insights from alumni and students who have previously engaged in our activities.





Ajman University's Mobile Dental Clinic Visits Seniors in Dubai

September 2022
Ajman University

Ajman University's Mobile Dental Clinic delivers high-quality dental services throughout the UAE, featuring two fully equipped dental units with advanced equipment, an X-ray machine, and sterilization tools that adhere to international standards. One of AU's initiatives this year involved organizing free dental check-ups and treatments for 15 senior citizens at the Seniors Happiness Center in Dubai.

This endeavor aligns with **SDG #3 - Good Health and Well-Being** by providing access to essential dental care services to underserved communities and promoting overall health and well-being. Consequently, it contributes to ensuring healthier lives and reducing health inequalities.





Ajman University Organizes "Make it Green" Campaign on Campus

September 2022
Ajman University

In celebration of World Cleanup Day and World Environmental Health Day, the OCE and the Office of Environmental Health and Safety mobilized over 80 students, staff, and faculty members for a campus-wide cleanup. This initiative aligns with the UAE's Green Agenda and the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), focusing on enhancing environmental health systems for SDG implementation. It strongly supports AU's Climate & Sustainability Strategy 2022-2030, particularly addressing **SDG #13 – Climate Action**.

The primary objective of this effort is to advance a zero-waste campus, raise awareness of environmental health, and provide a convenient avenue for community engagement. The office equipped volunteers with the necessary materials, showcasing their commitment to creating a cleaner and greener campus. Volunteers received certificates and tokens of appreciation from the World Cleanup Day Organization.





Celebrating World Mental Health Day

October 2022

Ajman University

On World Mental Health Day, Ajman University's Office of Community Engagement, in collaboration with the Counseling Unit, hosted an event aligned with the global theme, "Making mental health and well-being for all a global priority."

Activities included yoga sessions, games, and expert speakers covering various aspects of mental health. Dr. Lina, Dr. Gabriel Andrade, Dr. Jigna Sttot, Dr. Ahmad Zuabi, and Dr. Abderrahim Benhassan discussed diverse mental health topics, emphasizing the importance of universal mental well-being and addressing root causes such as poverty and social exclusion.

This initiative aligns with **SDG #3 - Good Health and Well-Being**, promoting well-being and reducing mental health stigma. It underscores the significance of making mental health care accessible to all community members, reflecting AU's commitment to community well-being.





Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign: "Together We Can"

October 05, 2022
Ajman University

During Global Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Ajman University (AU) and Burjeel Specialty Hospital jointly organized on-campus webinars to promote awareness about breast cancer's risk factors and preventive measures, aligning *with SDG #3 - Good Health and Well-Being*. Themed "Together We Can," the campaign, hosted by the AU Office of Development and Alumni Affairs and the Office of Community Engagement, dispelled myths and taboos surrounding breast cancer.

The informative sessions included discussions led by medical experts, instructing students on breast self-exams and the importance of early detection. Burjeel Specialty Hospital provided pink ribbon pins, examination vouchers, and consultations, followed by screening sessions at the University Healthcare Clinic, contributing to health and well-being.





Ajman University Students Celebrate International Day of Older Persons

October 2022

Dubai

To celebrate the International Day of Older Persons, Ajman University's Office of Community Engagement organized a visit to Dubai's Senior Happiness Center in October 2022. The event aimed to promote awareness about the needs and interests of older people while recognizing their lifetime achievements among their peer members.

Twenty AU students volunteered to spend the day with 40 seniors, focusing on their well-being and interests through activities, shared meals, and intergenerational connections. Dr. Salwa Al Suwaidi, Director of the Dubai Seniors Happiness Center, appreciated AU students' dedication, awarding them certificates of recognition.

This initiative aligns with **SDG #3 - Good Health and Well-Being**, promoting the well-being of older individuals and fostering social connections and empathy. It reflects AU's commitment to community engagement and student development as social leaders.



Volunteering Opportunities with INJAZ-UAE

October 30 – November 3, 2022

Dubai

Ajman University played an active role in promoting volunteering opportunities in collaboration with INJAZ-UAE. This opportunity involved recruiting up to 30 volunteers from the university to contribute to the "Youth Entrepreneurs Competition" held in Dubai from October 30 to November 3, 2022. These volunteers assumed various responsibilities, such as acting as leaders and chaperones for fully managed teams of participants from more than 13 countries.

This initiative aligns with [SDG #4 - Quality Education](#). Volunteering for the "Youth Entrepreneurs Competition," participants gained valuable experience and contributed to the young entrepreneurs' learning and personal development. The collaborative effort between Ajman University and INJAZ-UAE underscores the commitment to education and fostering a culture of learning and entrepreneurship among the youth, positively impacting the community and the world.





The Social Leadership Program

October 2022
Ajman University

O.C.E, in collaboration with Aspire Training Solutions, launched the 'Social Leadership Program' for students and alumni at AU. Aspire is an entrepreneurial training and consulting firm specialized in delivering transformational solutions using innovative methodologies, serving the private sector, community-based organizations, and youth. The goal of this initiative was to generate and transfer knowledge related to social leadership, empowering and inspiring a deep and lasting transformation in the lives of AU students and alumni, fostering the ability to live, lead, and prosper.





Organizing a visit to S.H.K. Khalifa Medical City

December 2022

Ajman

During Ajman University's Winter Fest 2022, themed "Bringing you closer to the Community," the university organized a visit to Sheikh Khalifa Medical City in Ajman. The purpose was to raise awareness about the natural and cultural aspects of the UAE among young students.

Students from seven schools across four emirates participated in the visit and had the opportunity to interact with child patients. They also shared gifts with the young patients, bringing joy and compassion to their lives during the festive season. The experience allowed the participants to deepen their understanding of the community, instill empathy and social responsibility values, and connect with their cultural and natural heritage.

This initiative aligns with **SDG #3 - Good Health and Well-Being**. It reflects Ajman University's commitment to promoting the community's and students' well-being. By allowing students to interact with young patients and engage in acts of kindness, the university contributes to a healthier, more empathetic society.





Ajman University Hosted Al Ihsan Champions 2023 Event for Orphaned Children

May 2023

Ajman University

The Office of Community Engagement (O.C.E) and the Office of Student Life at Ajman University collaborated to organize a special event for orphaned children from Al Ihsan Charity, titled 'Al Ihsan Champions 2023.' The event unfolded at the multi-purpose hall in the AU Sports Complex.

The primary goal of the event was to provide a day of joy for the children, and it proved to be a resounding success, thanks to the dedicated efforts of Captain AbdulHamid, Captain Manal Al Katalbi, and Captain Hany Othman.

Working in tandem, they ensured a memorable experience for the children by orchestrating a variety of sports activities and games that kept them entertained and engaged throughout the day.





Blood Donation Campaign

January 2023
Dubai

In the pursuit of our social responsibility initiatives, O.C.E organized an on-campus blood donation campaign with the aim of assisting Thalassemia patients and accident victims. This effort was conducted in collaboration with the Sharjah Blood Mobile Blood Bank. The campaign saw significant participation from committed students and staff, resulting in the collection of an impressive 50 units of blood.





UAE National Environment Day: Clean UAE Campaign 2023

February 2023

Ajman

On the occasion of UAE National Environment Day and as part of Ajman University's carbon offset program, the Office of Environmental Health and Safety, in collaboration with the Office of Community Engagement, invited the AU community to participate in the special edition of the Clean UAE 2023 campaign, in partnership with the Emirates Environmental Group. This initiative is organized under the patronage of and supported by the Ministry of Climate Change and Environment (MOCCA) and the Ministry of Community Development, serving as a nationwide campaign simultaneously across all Emirates.





Food Box Design Competition

February 2023
Ajman University

The Office of Community Engagement and the Office of Sustainability invited AU students to participate in the Food Box Design Competition as part of the 'CSV Campaign 2023: Mobility for Food Bank' by Hyundai Continue. This competition aimed to enhance the students' sense of social responsibility and encouraged them to contribute in a creative way. The top three winning designs were rewarded with an iPad.





CSV Campaign 2023: Mobility for Food Bank

March 2023

Ajman University

Ajman University, in collaboration with Al Ihsan Charity, has become a Strategic Partner in Hyundai Motor Company's 'Mobility for Food Bank' Initiative. This partnership aims to provide food packages to underprivileged communities in the UAE during the holy month of Ramadan.

The initiative, a continuous campaign that commenced during Ramadan, strives to reach 700 beneficiaries in the rural areas of Ajman.

As a strategic partner, Ajman University took the lead in organizing the packaging of food boxes on its campus. To kickstart the campaign, AU initiated a design competition on February 20, inviting students to submit creative designs for the food box. The competition received 25 impressive entries, with three artworks emerging as finalists. The winning students were honored with iPads and certificates.

From these three winning designs, one was selected as the final design for the food box. Over 150 AU students have volunteered for the campaign, registering to assist in packaging the boxes within the University Hall and facilitating the delivery of packages to underprivileged families.



Packing and distributing Iftar boxes

April 2023
Ajman University

Ajman University students distributed iftar boxes at local traffic junctions to spread cheer and raise awareness about the importance of driving safely. As many road accidents happen when people are heading home to break their fast with loved ones, the initiative aimed to remind them that life is the most important consideration.





10,000 Mangrove Trees Planted for World Environment Day

June 2022

Ajman

On the occasion of World Environment Day on June 5, Ajman University actively participated in the National Mangrove Planting Project, contributing to the planting of 10,000 mangrove trees across the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to promote sustainability. This initiative was carried out in collaboration with the Government National Projects Office of the UAE government.

As part of the initiative, 10,000 mangrove trees were simultaneously planted across various locations in the seven emirates of the UAE. All planted trees contribute to the UAE's ambitious goal of planting 100 million mangrove trees by 2030. This project, aligning with the UAE's 'Year of Sustainability,' will be a prominent showcase at the UAE's 51st National Day celebrations.

As a founding member of the "Nature Positive Universities Alliance," a collaborative initiative between the UN Environment Program (UNEP) and the University of Oxford, Ajman University played a leading role in the project, encouraging its staff, faculty, and students to actively participate as volunteers in this impactful initiative.





21 Visites for AU Mobile Dental Clinic

During the Year
Across UAE

One of the best achievements of Community Service Unit is to launch Mobile Dental Clinic, which serve the society of United Arab Emirates.

Within a year , volunteers of Ajman University visited twenty-one cites by treating more than thousand patience with in different locations across UAE.

This project bestowed more opportunities for our University in multiple ways and also broaden the career opportunities for our students as well.

