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## **Bennett College Honors the Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

Bennett College in partnership with students from nine greater Triad universities and colleges will join together to help make the 2010 MLK Day of Service the biggest yet, while honoring the civil rights history of the region. United around the theme of “Sit In. Stand Up. March On,” students from Bennett College, UNCG, Guilford College, Greensboro College, GTCC, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem State University, NC School of the Arts and Davidson County Community College will volunteer across the region to honor the legacy and spirit of service of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The “Triad Collegiate Challenge” represents the first regional collegiate effort on the MLK Day of Service. Each institution is hosting service projects while several are partnering for their efforts. Bennett College will host the annual MLK Breakfast on Monday at 8:15 am in the Sallie Walker Brown Dining Hall in the student union. Bennett will also partner with Greensboro College on a number of projects including creating blankets for Project Linus and replacing light bulbs in low-income housing with the Ignite Greensboro Project.

“We’re excited to see the energy, passion and commitment of so many college students to serve on the King holiday making it a “day on” and not a day off,” said Leslie Garvin, associate director of North Carolina Campus Compact, a state-wide organization that serves as one of the conveners of the region-wide collegiate effort.

The MLK Day of Service was established in 1994 as a federally-legislated day of service. The aim of the day is making the holiday a day ON where people of all ages and backgrounds come together to improve lives, bridge social barriers, and move our nation closer to the “beloved community” that Dr. King envisioned.

To volunteer with Bennett College, please contact Natalie McLean at 336-517-2334 or [nmclean@bennett.edu](mailto:nmclean@bennett.edu).

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