

## HOW DO YOU DEFINE SERVICE?

People define service in many different ways. Represented below are some examples of service. Study the list carefully. Place a “1” next to the action that most closely models your personal philosophy of service. Place a “2” next to the action that is the second closest to your philosophy of service, etc. The example which is farthest from your own philosophy should be ranked “16.”

- \_\_\_\_\_ Providing dinner once a week at a homeless shelter
- \_\_\_\_\_ Joining the armed forces
- \_\_\_\_\_ Talking with a friend
- \_\_\_\_\_ Chaining yourself to an old growth tree as loggers enter the forest
- \_\_\_\_\_ Leaving your car at home and biking to work every day
- \_\_\_\_\_ Giving \$50 to the Red Cross
- \_\_\_\_\_ Choosing professional work that makes a difference
- \_\_\_\_\_ Writing a letter to a congressional leader about campaign finance reform
- \_\_\_\_\_ Developing a micro-lending project for low-income teens to start small businesses
- \_\_\_\_\_ Conducting and disseminating academic research
- \_\_\_\_\_ Giving blood
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tutoring a migrant worker
- \_\_\_\_\_ Adopting an eight year old boy
- \_\_\_\_\_ Organizing your peers to work for affordable housing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Participating in a one week meditation retreat
- \_\_\_\_\_ Voting