

SOURCE Champion of the Month  
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**Tim Whelden**

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**What do you do as your community engagement activity?**

Student Assistant to the COP; Former COP participant at Joseph Richey House

**How much time do you spend on service per week/month?**

I was spending ~4 hrs/week at Joseph Richey House, but am currently employed as the COP assistant doing 2-8 hrs/week.

**How did you begin to work with your community-based organization (CBO)?**

When I was first getting to know Baltimore and JHU last Fall, I knew that I would want to be involved in the school's relationship with the community. The Community Outreach Program seemed like a very positive, constructive way to do that, so I applied and received a posting at Joseph Richey House, an inpatient hospice center for Baltimore's underserved. I'm very grateful that the COP was able to connect me with such an enriching community experience.

**What do you enjoy about or gain through community service?**

I enjoy learning about the variety of groups that are invariably at work in any community demonstrating hard work, resilience, and positivity in the face of challenge. And it's fun making friends with people I wouldn't otherwise come into contact with!

**How do you find time for service in your busy schedule?**

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