

Level 3 - Impact Essay:

It's difficult to describe the experience gained from working for the Borlaug Institute in Rwanda. Rwanda was in pain; however, there was also a great hope and spirit found in the people. Norman Borlaug said, "Dream big for it is big dreams that possess the magic to move men's souls." I was dreaming big when I submitted my \$3.7 million proposal. This proposal will construct 3 schools, provide food aid for 3 years, and will create school gardens to produce food for years to come. This proposal will be decided upon in late March and has the potential to leave a lasting impact. I don't waste a moment's time in sharing my story of Rwandan Spirit to many student groups throughout our campus. In Rwanda, I hope to feed the children. In Aggieland, I try my best to feed the Student Spirit with my story.

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"Some people give time, some money, some their skills and connections, some literally give their life's blood. But everyone has something to give." ~ Barbara Bush. My mother told me this quote back in high school to inspire me to run for office in one of my organizations. However, I never could grasp how it pertained to me until now. This quote has been the driving force throughout my entire involvement here. It has shown me why I have experienced such a wide variety of different services, leadership opportunities, and impacts involving our student body. Yes, I help transition literally thoughts of freshman to college. Yes, I have raised thousands of dollars for the Class of 2008. And yes, I have spent countless nights providing safe rides for our community. But, this is what I have to give. This is my passion. This is my impact!