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SAN FRANCISCO— Some 150 students from the Golden Gate University School of Law plan to spend Saturday, Jan. 29 volunteering at seven local nonprofits as part of a nationwide program. Golden Gate is one of 52 law schools throughout the country participating in the "Work-A-Day" project, which pairs future lawyers with community groups in an effort to heighten students' awareness of community social problems that deserve legal attention.

This year, Golden Gate law students' organizations have been matched with several community service groups: the American Bar Association/Law Student Division at Project Open Hand; the Student Bar Association at the San Francisco Food Bank; the Public Interest Law Foundation, Asian Pacific American Law Students Association and Latino Law Students Association at the San Francisco Clean-City Coalition; International Law Students at the Shriners' Hospital; Delta Theta Phi, Phi Alpha Delta and the Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Law Students groups at the Convalescent Center in the Mission District; Phi Delta Phi at the Episcopal Shelter Project; the American Trial Lawyers Association, Caveat student newspaper, Women's Law Association, the Environmental Law Society and the Black Law Student Association at the California Coastal Commission.

Originally begun at the University of Illinois, this year's project is expected to include some 6,000 law students nationwide. Golden Gate law students have participated in the project for several years.

The Golden Gate University School of Law, which is located on the San Francisco Campus, is approved by the American Bar Association. Golden Gate University is a private, nonprofit institution of higher education that is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

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