Category I Events Descriptions

1.) Community Service: Events that allow for members to engage in local and/or national opportunities to provide service to communities and/or community members in need.
   Examples:
   · Clean up trash at a local beach or highway
   · Pack food at a local food shelter
   · Build a house for Habitat for Humanity
   · Tend to a community garden

2.) Student Recruitment/Retention: Events that allow for members to assist in student recruitment and retention efforts, which align with the strategies of The Ohio State University Undergraduate Admissions and First Year Experience.
   Examples:
   · Participate in a formalized mentor/mentee relationship with a current student
   · Facilitate a summer send-off with local students
   · Collaborate with Undergraduate Admissions to call admitted prospective students*
   · Represent OSU at a college fair*

3.) Networking: An event that creates opportunities for alumni and constituents to connect professionally and socially through casually-or-formally structured programming.
   Examples:
   · Organize Buckeyes after Work (Happy Hours) in your area**
   · Attend a local career fair***
   · Coordinate or attend a professional speaker event****
   · Host or attend a fundraising dinner

4.) Special Interest Events: A structured event or events that feature a specific area of interest that is held by a significant number of group members.
   Examples:
   · Invite a speaker to present at your event who has an expertise in the special interest topic
   · Organize a bowling or golf league for members of the group
   · Coordinate a craft party
   · Getting members to run a 5K, or participate in an organized fitness activity

5.) Arts: An event that serves to educate and/or celebrate the fine and/or performing arts.
   Examples:
   · Attend a live theater performance
   · Attend an art museum, followed by a facilitated group discussion afterwards
   · Attend an orchestra concert or opera
   · Participate in a painting or sculpting workshop
6.) **Lifelong learning**: An educational event that aims to continue learning and development among participants.
   **Examples:**
   - Utilize career management tools to advance the professional development of members***
   - Provide training and/or certificate-awarding programs to members in a special area of interest ***
   - Attend presentations or discussions on a variety of educational topics
   - Organize a book club where members meet regularly to discuss their thoughts, book themes, etc.

7.) **Diversity/Culture**: An event that serves to educate and/or celebrate differences among people within local and national communities.
   **Examples:**
   - Attend a local event centered on culture, such as: Irish Festival, Latin American Parade, Pride, or Jazz & Ribs Fest
   - Invite speakers to present on diversity/culture topics****
   - Participate in a march that aims to raise awareness of diversity/culture issues
   - Attend a museum, such as the Underground Railroad in Cincinnati or the Holocaust museum in Washington, DC, followed by a facilitated group discussion afterwards
   - Go see a film with strong historical and/or social justice themes, such as *Milk* or *The Help*, and followed by a facilitated group discussion afterwards

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**Category II Events Descriptions**

1. **Social**: A casual event targeted for adults with no formal structure or learning opportunity.
   **Examples:**
   - Enjoy a meal together at a restaurant
   - Go out to see a movie

2. **Family**: Family-friendly activities that are appropriate and engaging for all ages
   **Examples:**
   - Coordinate a cookout at a local park
   - Bring members to a venue such as Dave and Buster’s

3. **Sports/Gamewatches (Required)**: Organize and gather members to either attend a sports event, restaurant, or bar, for the purpose of viewing a sporting event.

4. **Board (Required)/General meetings**: Facilitate conversations either with the board or a quorum of group members to discuss orders of business.

*Must be an activity approved by The Ohio State University Office of Undergraduate Admissions

**You may reference and/or utilize the Young Alumni Engagement Manager for programming options

***You may reference and/or utilize Alumni Career Management for programming options

****You may reference and/or utilize the Alumni & Constituent Engagement Manager to coordinate a speaker