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## *Annual Events Planned Through November 23*

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. — Gardner-Webb University students have always been involved in service for the community but now they get the opportunity to truly connect with those less fortunate during Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week through Nov. 23. Sponsored by the GWU Office of Community Engagement, students can attend a documentary screening, panel discussions with men currently living in a shelter, and other activities that will show them the difficulties of homelessness.

Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Weeks kicked off on Monday, Nov. 18 with a screening of “The Line,” in the Tucker Student Center at 7 p.m. The documentary tells the story of people from all across the country who have goals and work hard for their families, but continue to struggle financially and live at or below the poverty line.

There will be a panel discussion about homelessness on Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 8 p.m. in Ritch Banquet Hall, located on the lower level of the Dover Campus Center. Students will have a chance to participate in a question-and-answer session with men who are currently living in at the Shelby Men’s Shelter. Students will also be also to participate in a Hunger Banquet on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 6 p.m., also held in Ritch Banquet Hall.

The final activity to wrap up the Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is ‘One Night Without a Home,’ which will take place on Friday, Nov. 22, beginning at 11 p.m. and will conclude early Saturday, Nov. 23. Students will spend the night outside of the comfort of their own homes and sleep out on the quad facing all of the elements and issues that plague the homeless every night.

Throughout the week students will also be fasting during lunch and donating their food to the homeless by filling up to-go boxes from the dining hall. Volunteers will be collecting the food donations at a table outside of the dining area. For more information about the Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week, contact Stephanie Capps at 704-406-2135 or at [srcapps@gardner-webb.edu](mailto:srcapps@gardner-webb.edu).

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