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When reading the chapter as well as working hands on at the internship, I see the value in community. Each and every one of our individual selves, whether we are conscious of it or not, are contributing members to our community. Our strengths and purposes add value to our community. This dynamic becomes even stronger when we are aware of it.

While working with Light House this semester, I see that it is a huge part in helping the community of Bellport, New York. Not only does the mission offer tangible items like clothes and food, but they also offer hope. When interviewing my field supervisors for the process recording assignment, I was able to gain more insight into the heart of Light House. Though I was aware that the mission is Christian based, it was still warming to hear with my own ears the missions heart for Christ. In all that they give, their desire is for people to not see the organization, but the heart of Jesus Christ. They thrive on making each and every person who walks through those doors feel empowered. They want the community to know that no matter what, there is hope.

As a student and full-time employee, I find that the challenges that come with just those two responsibilities alone are distracting. Being so focused on meeting my goals has distracted me from understanding the heart of my goals. Everything I do belongs to Christ and ultimately my community. Being hands on at Light House has brought me back to the value of that. And

once I achieve my goals of becoming a Licensed Clinical Social worker, I can continue to give back to my community.