Project KT

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Inspiration

- Missing connections between the campus and community
- We share the same space called “Urbana-Champaign” but there is a huge disconnect.

Central Question: How can we bring these groups together in a mutually beneficial relationship?
Target Groups

- Undergraduate Students
- Graduate Students and Their Families
- Local Residents

Urbana-Champaign Town
Presentation of Problem

Undergraduates feel homesick

Graduate students and families feel a disconnect and isolation

Community members do not utilize campus resources and connection
Data

Finding families
Current solutions for this problem.

McKinley Health Center

The Counseling Center
Current Solution
Solution
What is a host?
What is a participant?
Host-Participant Matching
Community Partners

UNIVERSITY HOUSING
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Students who stay on campus over break and have to spend the holidays without their families. Invited over to spend Thanksgiving dinner or something
Reinforcement of Relationships

Newsletter of community events

Blog of experience from both ends of the experience with pictures

Biannual check-ups, surveys to see how we can improve the program
The Next 6 Months...

- **NOV.**: Establish campus partner support and advertise Project KT
- **DEC.**: Start the host-participant exchange
- **JAN.**: Refine Matching Algorithm
- **FEB.**: Promote community events to retain host-participant relations
- **MAR.**
- **APR.**