

Ways to Get Involved with Mercy Street

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Ongoing Opportunity

Mentoring a Child

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This is the core of Mercy Street and the most transformational for our families, community and you.

- We ask that you can guaranty 2 years to mentor a child, starting with an elementary student, with the hope that it will turn into a 9 year relationship.
- Minimum 2 face-to-face contacts and 2 phone or email contacts per month.
- You can also consider starting with a middle or high school student who needs to be re-matched with a mentor.

Weekly Opportunities

Elementary School

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Our elementary schools, C.F. Carr, G.W. Carver, Amelia Earhart and Uplift Heights Primary, are always looking for happy helpers to plug in areas such as the cafeteria, classroom, the library or even field day! Opportunities include:

- Assisting a teacher with making copies, reading to the class or working one on one with a student.
- 2 hours a week, any day of the week that you pick.
- You'll be put to work doing whatever is needed, come willing to be flexible.

In addition to volunteering at the schools, we are always looking for happy faces to help with Super Thursday, our afterschool Bible study, every Thursday from 4:00pm – 5:30pm, during the school year at Mercy Street.

Middle School

Contact | Joy@mercystreetdallas.org

Volunteers are always welcome at Thomas Edison and Uplift Heights Secondary! Opportunities include:

- Assisting a teacher with making copies, working one on one with a student, be a hall or cafeteria monitor.
- 2 hours a week, any day of the week that you pick.
- You'll be put to work doing whatever is needed, come willing to be flexible.

In addition to volunteering at the schools, servant hearts are always welcome to join us for MERGE, our middle and high school Bible study. General hands on and small group leaders are needed every Wednesday from 6:30pm – 8:30pm at Mercy Street.

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High School

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The faculty and staff at L.G. Pinkston and Uplift Heights Secondary would gladly welcome serving hearts to come alongside and assist with their day to day activities. Opportunities include:

- Lend a hand in the registrar's office or the library, work one on one with a student, be a hall or cafeteria monitor
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Discipleship Co-leader/Assistant

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For especially "spiritually-hungry" middle and high school students we have weekly Bible studies for our future community leaders. Opportunities include:

- Co-leading or assisting with a Street Team, usually involves helping provide a meal and teach a lesson.
- Meeting day of the week varies by leader, who is usually a mentor coordinator.
- Lend a hand on weekend retreats.

Bike Shop

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At the Mercy Street Bike Shop we are cultivating leadership qualities while turning old bikes into new reusable resources. Our workshop is constructed around the concepts of rebuilding, restoring, and reusing.

The Earn-a-Bike program seeks to educate and empower youth in the art of bike mechanics, and subsequently to instill in them the values of environmental and social responsibility, as well as leadership skills to effect change in our community. In addition it is an opportunity for both youth and families to earn, restore and make their very own bikes and parts.

Opportunities include:

- Assisting with the Earn-a-Bike program
- Helping out with trail rides
- Bike repairs and bike sales

Volunteers should have a working knowledge of bike anatomy and repair.

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Seasonal Opportunities

Sports Coach

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Sports are an active, engaging, and developmental avenue to have another adult be a role model for a child. Opportunities include:

- Little League Baseball in the spring (co-ed)
- Ladies Softball in the spring (age 13-18)
- West Dallas United Soccer in the fall (co-ed)
- Soccer for Success in the fall (co-ed)
- Approximately 2-4 nights/week during the season

Monthly/Big Event Opportunities

Volunteer

Contact | Nicole@mercystreetdallas.org

Twice a year we gather for the West Dallas Community Potluck and Eggstravaganza, a community wide Easter celebration with anywhere from 1,500-2,000 people and some monthly events are more labor-intensive than others. We often need people to help with:

- Set-up
- Greeters
- Rovers
- Food servers
- Food prep
- Check-in
- Game facilitators
- Clean-up

In addition to our big events, we also have monthly events where volunteers are often needed to help serve. Individuals, families and groups are always welcomed to plug in! Opportunities include:

- First Friday Fun Nights – Volunteers needed to lead game stations and provide/serve a snack
- Super Thursday – Volunteers needed to welcome and hang out with students, serve snacks and help during group time
- MERGE – Volunteers need to assist with small groups and provide a light snack for students
- Photography - We are always in need of AMAZING photos!

Donate

Mercy Street is completely run on private dollars from individuals, churches and foundations. \$25/month provides the programming for one of our students for the year, providing them access to:

- Monthly events
- Eggstravaganza
- Super Thursday
- MERGE Bible study
- Bike Shop
- Friday Fun Night
- Little League Baseball
- West Dallas United Soccer
- Purity Conference
- Pine Cove camp

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Just Want to Check Us Out?

- Join us at a monthly event
- Stop by a Bible study
- Cheer at a baseball or soccer game – they're a lot of fun to watch!

Mercy Street is a relational (non task-oriented or programmatic) ministry, so our events are geared around building relationships. Therefore, the primary responsibility of our volunteers is to build relationships with the community and our staff. Volunteers should also assume the role of “utility player” and seek out opportunities to help where needed.

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