

## PARENTS' COMMENTS

I'm beyond grateful for this program. Since Rachel is 11 she needed an adult to accompany her while volunteering. As a result, I found blessings in also giving of my time to the service projects she choose. As a family, we've been looking for opportunities to serve others more than a few times a year. This program helped us be more intentional about being the hands and feet of Christ. It also gave us the chance to include friends in our service projects. And while organizations like the Christian Aid Center thanked us for our service, it was our family that felt as though we had received more than we had given. What a blessing!

With much gratitude, Becky

Thank you so much for this program. Jeremiah has been volunteering with the VBS team and the Community Center staff. What a wonderful opportunity for students to get better acquainted with some of the senior members of their church congregation who encourage and coach the student in such a positive way.

I really appreciate the effort of the team that set this program in motion. Blessings to each of you.

Doris

## FACEBOOK POST



Christian Aid Center  
July 23, 2015 · 🌐

Meet Cherish, Zoe and Derek -- three awesome kids who decided to spend some of their vacation time helping others. On Tuesday, they raised \$69.43 for our shelter with their lemonade stand on the corner of Birch and Catherine Street. They also made some cool summertime decorations for our dining hall. Thank you!



## WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Children who volunteer are more likely to grow up to be adults who volunteer. Even unwilling children who volunteer fare better than kids who don't volunteer.

—"Why Helping Others Makes Us Happy," U.S. News & World Report, by Phillip Moeller

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# STUDENTS IN HIS SERVICE



Volunteering creates a stronger sense of community, inspires and motivates others to act for the greater good and makes the world – and our communities – a better place.

— Jeffrey F. Bullock  
President University of Dubuque

Student  
Community  
Service  
Scholarship

BUILDING STUDENTS, TOUCHING COMMUNITIES



"This was a fun opportunity. I got to build trails, repackage rice, assist at STEAM Ahead's Lego Robotics camp and other things. I got to learn about the community in which I live and give back to others. Thank you for picking me for this *In His Service* grant." — Alex

## Summer Scholarship Program

Three-way scholarship makes Christian Education more affordable

The *Students In His Service* scholarship program is a three-way scholarship funded equally by the Upper Columbia Conference Office of Education, Upper Columbia Conference Adventist Community Services Grant funds and the student's home church. Students must apply online and be accepted by both the Upper Columbia Conference and their home church board.

Once accepted, students arrange and log hours volunteering in service to their community during the summer months. This scholarship focuses on the student's larger community rather than being church, school or family centered.

## Students out in their communities serving

Communities benefit while students experience joy of volunteering

### How it works:

**Eligibility:** Students in grades 1-12 attending an elementary or secondary Upper Columbia Conference Adventist School

### Hours volunteering allowed per day:

Grades 1-4: 2 hours      Grades 5-8: 4 hours      Grades 9-12: 8 hours

Scholarships:	Volunteer Hours:	Scholarship Amount:	Available for:
Play-dough	10	\$75	Grades 1-12
Bronze	25	\$250	Grades 5-12
Silver	50	\$600	Grades 9-12
Gold	75	\$1000	Boarding students

### Volunteer Activity Ideas

- VBS (available for students in grades 7-12 only)
- Community service centers
- Eldercare activities
- Community service projects (e.g. park clean-ups, community events)
- Community organizations (e.g. Salvation Army, Red Cross, Humane Society)

## SCHOLARSHIP NUMBERS

### 2014

- 30 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED
- \$14,700 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED
- 8 SCHOOLS IMPACTED

### 2015

- 95 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED
- \$39,730 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED
- 13 SCHOOLS IMPACTED

### 2016

- 111 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED
- \$49,482 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED
- 14 SCHOOLS IMPACTED

STUDENTS SERVING THEIR COMMUNITIES!

## ALL AGES CAN LEARN TO SERVE

*In His Service 8-29-16  
I helped serve in the community by helping with cats and dogs at the Humane Society. I carried boxes for the Diaper Bank and Food Bank. I also gave out water and food to the homeless people in Tri-Cities. It felt good to help others. I am also glad I was able to help earn money toward my school tuition.  
Thank you!*



"My name is Ava. I spent the summer volunteering at the Spokane Humane Society. At the Humane Society I loved all the animals. I feel really bad for the ones that have been there for a long time. Sometimes I want to adopt all the pets. I was part of the Cuddle Crew, and that means I worked with the cats. I would play with the cats, love them, and socialize them. My job was to help the cats get used to people and become friendlier. Friendly cats get adopted quicker. I also cleaned the cat rooms and helped wash and fold laundry. Last week, I worked at an adoption event in North Spokane and I helped a kitten and a dog get adopted. I have really enjoyed my time at the Humane Society. I'm glad that I had the opportunity to serve others and the community. It makes me happy to help out. I'm going to keep on volunteering there as often as I can!"



### Fort Simcoe State Park

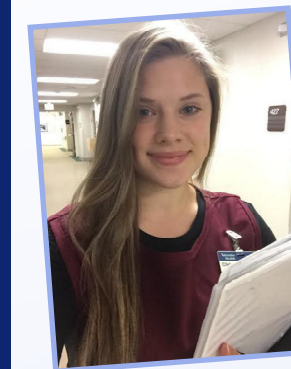
"At Fort Simcoe I got to paint the restrooms. Some may not think that it was much fun, but it wasn't bad. It was good to be able to see the amount of change I could make and the ranger, AJ, was really thankful for the help. He said they don't get many volunteers out there. I enjoy visiting the park and seeing the wildlife and history at the park so I wanted to help out there."

### Blue Mountain Therapeutic Riding

"I volunteered with several different community members and organizations this summer including Blue Mountain Therapeutic Riding, where I got to work with horses, disabled children, and other volunteers/staff. I learned a lot about working with children with different mental disabilities from down syndrome to sensory disorders, and with horse and their personalities. Volunteering is really quite fun. I met lots of people, learned patience and realized I love horses!"



### Walla Walla General Hospital



"This summer I had the privilege of volunteering at Walla Walla General Hospital. I volunteered alongside some other good people who help out whenever they can. Everyone there was really nice and helpful not just to the patients who come in, but also to help me learn how to do everything. The other volunteers showed me where everything was in the hospital, that way when people came in I could help them find their destination. I got to help out by doing lots of different things such as, helping the administrator get people checked in, taking paperwork or mail from one place to another, taking food to people who were staying in the hospital, pushing people in wheelchairs and helping them get out to their cars, taking lab work to the lab, and just greeting people hoping to make their day a little bit better. I enjoyed helping out all kinds of different people it was a good work experience. Thank you to the UCC Office of Education, the UCC Adventist Community Services Grant, and the WWU Church."

### Christian Aid Center

"I went with my mom to the Christian Aid Center on Sabbath afternoon two times to help get food ready to give homeless people. I helped unload the food and take it to the kitchen. Then I helped cut up the vegetables for the haystacks and stirred a giant pot of beans! I was worried that I might not feel safe or know what to say to the people who came for food, but it was much better than I thought. My mom and I went and talked to some people and I wasn't as worried. I think it was really good to go help, it made me feel really lucky."



TOUCHING THE COMMUNITIES AROUND US!