

## Confirmation Community Service Opportunities

Students are required to participate in a minimum of two community projects throughout the school year. For each project, the student must fill out a section on the Completion Form and a parent must then sign for each project. All projects must be completed and forms turned in no later than **Wednesday, April 6, 2022**

<b>Orphan Grain Train Kits</b>	<b>October 2, 2021 (during Fall Retreat)</b>
Orphan Grain Train, based out of Norfolk, NE, provides a number of services both domestically and internationally. One such service includes gathering school kits which include notebooks, pencils, crayons, etc. During the Fall Confirmation Retreat, students will assemble these kits to be sent around the world to those in need.	
<b>Oktoberfest</b>	<b>October 23, 2021</b>
Join the rest of the congregation to raise money for the Tri-City Food Pantry through this community event. There are many ways to be involved; keep an eye out for the volunteer sign-up in the church narthex available once the event draws closer. Contact Chas Ortman at <a href="mailto:cortman@famrersagent.com">cortman@famrersagent.com</a> with any questions about volunteering.	
<b>Operation Christmas Child</b>	<b>Kits due by November 10, 2021</b>
Give a child in an underdeveloped nation the chance to open a gift on Christmas. Fill a shoebox with toys and essentials and then bring the kit to a donation center (empty shoeboxes are available at the church). In addition to filling a shoebox with gifts, please also include a \$9 donation to cover shipping. Completed kits must be returned to church or dropped at a donation center the week of November 15-22, 2021. Instructions on how to fill a shoebox kit, drop-off locations, and more information can be found at <a href="https://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/">https://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/</a> .	
<b>Angel Tree for Stephen Center</b>	<b>December 2021</b>
Join the rest of the congregation in providing Christmas gifts for residents of the Stephen Center, a local homeless and rehabilitation shelter. Gift sign-up and instructions will be available in the church narthex beginning in December.	

<b>Operation Gratitude</b>	<b>Anytime from September - March</b>
Express your thanks and gratitude to military service men and women and first responders. Write letters, make a paracord bracelet, or knit a homemade gift that will bring joy and appreciation to those who read them. Instructions and mailing address can be found online at <a href="https://www.operationgratitude.com/express-your-thanks-virtual/">https://www.operationgratitude.com/express-your-thanks-virtual/</a>	
<b>Open Door Mission "Make a Difference at Home"</b>	<b>Anytime from September - March</b>
Serve the Open Door Mission (local homeless shelter) from home in a variety of ways. Make hygiene kits, sunshine jars, masks, or write encouraging notes. Details about all their serve at home projects can be found online at <a href="https://www.opendoormission.org/covid-19-updates/">https://www.opendoormission.org/covid-19-updates/</a>	
<b>Tri-City Food Pantry Collection</b>	<b>Anytime from September - March</b>
The Tri-City Food pantry provides much needed food to local neighbors in need. They have a constant need for donations in order to continue to serve our community. The most requested items are updated monthly on their website <a href="https://tricitypantry.org/">https://tricitypantry.org/</a> . Donations can be brought directly to the food pantry or dropped off at the designated areas at church.	

**Other opportunities exist that are not listed on this sheet. Please confirm other projects or service opportunities with Brady *before* completing them.**