BEYOND THESE WALLS
MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

The Vision:

For over a year we have anticipated the building loan being paid off so work could begin on Beyond These Walls. That time has come and we are ready to go out and use the resources God has given us to reach and minister to as many people as we can for His Kingdom. I believe First Baptist Church will be a beacon of light to our community and surrounding areas as we meet the needs of people and help other ministries attain their goal of changing lives for Jesus Christ. There is much to do. All of us doing our part with God's help can do it.

The Call:

Anything we do for the glory of God must have a calling and a passion for that task. My prayer is that each of us would ask God to show us what our passion is, then put that passion to work. Tonight, you will hear how you can serve in various ways. There is something for everyone to do, and we are looking for people to step up and help us lead in this vital ministry.

The Plan:

At this time, we have chosen to focus our volunteer assistance on the six local ministries we contribute to monthly. There are many needs that we can take care of right in our own backyard. The following pages consist of volunteer opportunities for each ministry. The ministry opportunities are categorized by individual and group participation as well as ongoing projects. Also included is a sheet listing the donation needs each month.

The Next Step:

There is a ministry opportunity for everyone. We ask that you -

- pray for the Holy Spirit to help you find your passion for one or more of these ministry opportunities.
- contact Jennifer Phillips (jphillips@fbp.org) to sign-up for a ministry or for more information.
- Once we hear from you – we will get you connected!

The Bridge Over Troubled Waters
Shelter for Abused Women and Families

<u>Hours of Operation</u> – Monday-Sunday – 8:00 am-8:00 pm

<u>Individual Volunteer Opportunities</u>: Please see next page for descriptions and requirements of the following opportunities.

- Hotline Advocate
- Residential Advocate
- Children's Program Aide
- Food Service Aid
- Outreach Aid
- Office Aid

<u>Group Opportunities</u>:

Monthly:

- Monthly Fellowships at the Bridge** – Provide a meal, activity and fellowship interaction for the resident families once a month. Some examples:
    - Game Night – board games, card games, etc. for the family to participate together.
    - Outdoor Fun – provide water fun activities, outdoor games and serve a picnic dinner
    - Movie Night – provide a movie, with refreshments

  ** *Elementary and Jr. High age children are not able to participate in this activity due to confidentiality issues.*

<u>Weekly:</u>

- Coffee Break – spend time with the ladies during the younger children's nap time from 1:00-2:00 pm. This is the perfect opportunity to be available to meet with and encourage the ladies one-on-one. Share a coffee or hot tea and just be a listening ear.

<u>Ongoing Projects:</u>

- Basket of Encouragement for new clients - assemble baskets with provided items of encouragement and comfort to the women/family
- Hospital Bags - for children and women (sexual abuse advocates use these when they see a victim in the hospital)
- Blessing Bags - bags of household items for the clients who are transitioning to their own apartment.

INDIVIDUAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Due to faculty having to take time off their schedule to train some of the positions noted below, the staff highly recommends individuals to commit to at least three hours a week. Forty hours of Sexual Assault (SA) Training is also require if they volunteer in a job position dealing with direct services. The Bridge offers SA training a few times a year for them to complete training.

Hotline Advocate: provides assistance to callers in crisis or those seeking emergency shelter. SA training and background check required.

Residential Advocate (RA) assistant: Helps RA in shelter with passing medication, mail, daily room check, meal counts, etc. Hotline training, SA training and background check is a must.

Children's Program Aide: Offers support to childcare staff in facilitating learning activities. FBI fingerprints are required (will cost the volunteer $42).

Food Service: Help in pantry and kitchen. Duties include checking for expired food, helping cooks prepare meals and passing meals to clients. Background check necessary.

Outreach Aid: Represent agency at health and community fairs and educate community in domestic violence, sexual assault and homelessness. Will need to shadow the education group until they are comfortable.

Office Aid: Filing, shredding, answer front desk line, data entry and making copies. Three hours a week if they commit to data entry.

COMMUNITY PREGNANCY CENTER

Hours of Operation:

Mon - Tues. 9:00 am – 8:00 pm
Wed 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Thurs. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Individual Volunteer Opportunities:

- Client Advocates – Women to meet with clients at least once a week for three hours. Training is provided. Bi-lingual would be great!
- Male Advocates – to be available to mentor and encourage the husband or boyfriend as they wait for the client. There is no set schedule and no training.
- Ultrasound Nurse – Medically trained nurse to use the sonogram machine. Training is available. Ultrasounds are performed every Thursday.
- ***Points To Success*** Class Instructor – Individuals to teach specific classes on various Thursday evenings such as parenting, relationships, financial, etc. You do not have to have a certificate to teach, just experience in teaching/leading a group. CPC also has material to teach from as well.

Group Opportunities:

Monthly:

- Meals for ***Points to Success*** Class **–** Provide or cater a meal for 15-18 participants monthly. This includes having a small devotional, then stay and participate in the class.

Bi-Monthly or Weekly:

- Cleaning and Praying – 1 or more volunteers to help clean the facility and pray for the center as they clean. Once a week commitment.
- Donations Organizers – organize the storage closet with the items donated. At least twice a month commitment.
- Bible Studies – Once a week for 6-8 weeks depending on the Bible Study chosen. Use of our Bible Study materials. This could be seasonal - fall and spring.

Seasonal:

- Fundraising Team – work on ideas for fundraising events, work on existing events – there are several annual events throughout the year.
- Office Help during fundraising efforts – mailings, making phone calls, etc.

SARAH'S HOUSE
Shelter for Homeless Women and Families

Hours of Operation:

Mon – Fri 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Individual Volunteer Opportunities:

- Advocates – Counseling the residents, office work
- Trained or experienced people to conduct education classes (finances, parenting, GED) – these are scheduled for Friday evenings. Schedule varies.

Group Opportunities:

Monthly:

- Extended yard care – Help with shrub trimming, weeding around the facility
- Last Supper Program – Assist with the meal for outreach program.

Weekly:

- Sweet Dreams Program – Books read to the kids in the evening time (once a week)

Seasonal:

- Activities for Kids/Family – Any outing or activity for the kids so they can enjoy being away from the shelter
- Adopt a Room – Sarah's House has six rooms that the residents use as bedrooms. These rooms need decorating so they can feel like "home" to the resident families.

CROSSROADS MINISTRY
Ministry to the Homeless

Hours of Operation:
Tuesdays & Thursdays 7:00 am – 1:00 pm

Individual Volunteer Opportunities:

- Help with check-in
- Serving meals - breakfast and lunch
- Sorting clothing, other donations

Group Opportunities:

- Help serve meals – breakfast and lunch
- Assist other volunteers in the various ministry needs of the day
- Interact and share the gospel with the clients

Donations/Needs: This will be promoted monthly

- Clothing – jeans (29-34), belts, used backpacks, tennis shoes
- Blankets, sheets, towels, washcloths
- Magazines, books
- Toiletries of all kinds, especially sunscreen and bug repellent

PASADENA COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

Hours of Operation:

Tuesdays 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Thursdays 1:00-4:00 pm

Saturdays First Saturday of the month – 9:00-11:00 am

Individual Volunteers:

- Assist sorting food items, clothing items, etc.
- Assist with interviewing clients

Ongoing Projects:

- PCM will let us know when they need specific items (back to school supplies, clothing, etc.)

Seasonal Projects:

- Thanksgiving Baskets – Our church members to donate $40 for a basket. This will be in the month of October.