## Serve Sunday Primer January 29-30, 2022

SERVING OUR NEIGHBORS IN DAVIS AND WOODLAND



Our first Serve Sunday of 2022 is more of a Serve Weekend! We have a lot of great opportunities to bless our local partners on January 29th and 30th. Even with the ongoing challenges of COVID there are plenty of ways we can help!.

Here is a quick overview of our Serve Weekend Projects:

- **Tree Davis**: Saturday Morning (1/29) from 9 am 12 pm help Tree Davis plant new, young, trees along the Russell Blvd Bike Path. Meet on the Path where Russell and Portage Bay join. Work will involve digging holes, and planting and stabilizing trees. **6** volunteers are needed, and **Amy** is the point person for this project. When you sign up you will get an email from her with further instructions. Volunteers of all ages welcome. Vols will need to sign a waiver on arrival and under 16 will need a parent present.
- 4th & Hope: 4th & Hope is a wonderful partner in Woodland serving people recovering from addiction and those who are experiencing homelessness. We have 4 meal slots we can fill on both Saturday and Sunday. Each slot is a 1 hour commitment where you will serve 4th and Hope clients a warm meal. Due to Covid this is a 2 person task, so find a partner and sign up for a shift! Steve Rea will be in touch with after you sign up to offer a few suggestions and further instructions.
- **Burritos with Brian**: Did you know that there is a regular group of people from Discovery who serve our neighbors experiencing homelessness on Sunday mornings? Well there is! Brian Knight is the originator of this team and he has two great opportunities for us. First, you can help him prep Sunday morning's meal. On Saturday night Brian needs **4** helpers to prep the meal. Then, on Sunday morning, Brian is looking for **8** partners to help pass out the meal and engage with people in a friendly and loving way. Expect an email from **Brian** when you sign up for this opportunity!
- **Graffiti Abatement:** Another awesome opportunity that originates right from the Discovery community is Graffiti Abatement. This is the passion of our very own Lauren Granillo. Lauren is looking for **5** volunteers to help paint from 10 am 12 pm in Community Park (right next to the theater). Volunteers do need to be 18+ and will need to be comfortable working with paint and chemicals. **Lauren** will contact you once you have signed up!
- **City Park Project:** One of our favorite things to as a community is directly serve our city. They love our willingness to jump in and help out in all sorts of ways. This weekend the city is doing a big beautification project in Northstar Park (3434 Anderson Road). Join the team from 9 am 12 pm as we pull out invasive plants, plant new/local foliage, and help clean up one of city's great parks. This job can accommodate **20+** volunteers. We will meet at the Pond and you should see a big tool trailer and city reps gathered around that spot. **Kayla** will be in touch with when you sign up for this opportunity!
- **Downtown Center Project:** This one is for **Youth only**! Join Steve and David as we close up the Discovery Downtown Center. Be prepared to spackle, paint, dust, clean, and move a bunch of stuff around!

Sign up on signupGenius: the link is available on our webpage/app/in the weekly email!

We will wrap the morning up with a casual, optional, picnic at Community Park. Join us by the picnic tables from 12 - 1 pm to share stories, hear about other projects, and just enjoy being together!

All of this is great, but what if I can't join in because I am out of town, or have covid concerns? Glad you asked!

We have one more partnership opportunity. **Make It Happen** is a great local org serving UC Davis students who were in the Fostering system. They are working on some database projects and need help with the creation of a "Clients Served" spreadsheet. Sign up for this opportunity and we will help you get connected and all the information and instructions you need!

In addition, we always advocate for **Prayer Walking** your neighborhood. Find a time that works for you and slowly walk your neighborhood praying through these prompts:

- What do you see in this place? What do you notice as you walk?
  - Prayer: God give me your eyes for this neighborhood.
- Who lives here? What neighbors do you know by name? What do you know about your neighbors?
  - Prayer: God what are you doing in this place and in these people?
- What are the needs of your neighborhood? How do you know them? How can you find out?
  - Prayer: God would you move in our neighborhood? Use me to meet these needs!
- Finally, what is good and beautiful in your neighborhood?
  - Prayer: God, thank you for what is good and the beautiful in this place! Help me to point others to what is great about our neighborhood!

As a final suggestion: there are always folks around our community in need of **basic necessities**. Perhaps you have run into someone in a store parking lot or alongside a busy intersection. Would you consider putting together some simple items that you can have on hand to pass along as you encounter these neighbors? Here's a suggested list from our Street Team:

- Socks
- Handwarmers
- Protein Bars
- Tooth Brush
- Tooth Paste
- Body Wipes
- Tissues
- Feminine Hygiene Products

Thank you for participating with us in Serve Sunday/Serve Weekend! We are looking forward to hearing great stories of God working through all of you. As always, use your creativity and imagination as you engage with our partners, and who knows, maybe a great idea will emerge for a future Serve Sunday.

Grace and Peace,
The Street Team!
(Steve B, Amy, Steve R, Brian, Anne Marie, Daren, and Kayla