Thanksgiving 2020 Mission Arlington / Mission Metroplex Newsletter

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t is so special for me to be able to write a note thanking you for your "gifts of love" that make such a difference for the people who are having difficult moments in their lives.

I enjoy being outside as you bring your donations, and many times, I hear you say, "When I was a child you helped my family."

One very successful young man came by this week and told me that, as a kid, he shopped off of the shelves for toys. He said,

"One day, my family and I were here getting things, and one of the staff took me out to the toy shelf. She told me I could take anything I wanted! She helped me pick out a bunch of toys that were so much fun."

**TILLIE BURGIN** 

If there were no toys on the shelves, this could not have happened. We are so honored to be able take what you give and give it away.

One lady drove by out back, and she just sat in her car for a few minutes. I asked her if I could help her and her response was, "No, I have unloaded my donations, but I just love to watch the people. Mission Arlington" is giving it away as fast as it comes in. I love this!" Bless you,

# ON THE WAY TO THANKSGIVING AT MISSION ARLINGTON®



### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

- Before Thanksgiving Day volunteers are needed to sort & box Thanksgiving food;
- On Thanksgiving Day arrive at Mission Arlington<sup>®</sup> by 8:00 a.m. to deliver food to the community.

Starting at 8:00 a.m. on
Thanksgiving morning, the
Mission Arlington® family
will deliver turkeys and
Thanksgiving food to our
community. We expect the
need to be as great as ever.

#### THANKSGIVING FOOD NEEDS

- Please bring turkeys to the Mission Arlington<sup>®</sup> offices downtown anytime before Thanksgiving Day;
- 2. <u>Please bring Thanksgiving Food</u>: canned sweet potatoes, beans/rice, hams, canned pie filling, tuna, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, peanut butter, vegetables, box/mashed potatoes, rolls, canned fruit, macaroni & cheese, and pie crust are all needed for Thanksgiving Day. Thank you so much!



## MISSION ARLINGTON® MINISTRIES IN THE FALL

### YOUR GIFTS FACILITATE MINISTRY FOR THE PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY.



Year after year, United Concordia has hosted our "youth dental day," providing care for this under-served group. The pandemic affected their annual event, so this year, they wrote a check. Wow!



"Building Blocks 4 Kids" teaches children to build life on a solid foundation, using Legos as a metaphor for Christ. Children have fun!



As **food needs rise**, day after day, **you continue to give**. Moms & dads have food for their children, because you help. Thank you so much!

### "LEARNING CENTER" BRIDGES THE GAP



Children of Mission Arlington° families received substantial academic, educational, and personal support from qualified Mission Arlington° staff and volunteers this year through the Mission Arlington° "Learning Center."

Bible study leaders across our community **also** set up "after-school" experiences - with computers, technical support, and qualified adult volunteers to assist students with their educational needs. Hundreds of students took advantage of this help each week. **Thank you so much for your constant support.** 

#### "MARY'S TABLE"



Cooking classes for families on a budget. The ladies receive a recipe book and a week's worth of food for their family.

### VOLUNTEERS ARE BEGINNING TO RETURN! WE ARE AMAZED AND THANKFUL!

