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*Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.”
Matthew 25:40.*

You are making a tremendous difference in so many lives. We received this note, and it shows the heart of gratitude from one who received your support and help:

*“I am glad I can finally **give something back** to Mission Arlington®. When my mother moved here from New Orleans due to Hurricane Katrina, Mission Arlington® wrapped their arms around her and welcomed her to Arlington.*

*You provided things **we take for granted** on a day-to-day basis -- everything from medical help to furniture to a toothbrush! She told me over the weekend that you also conducted a revival at her apartment complex and gave help to the people in those apartments on a daily basis.*

You have blessed my family in a tremendous way, so anything I can do pales in comparison to what you have done. So for all of that I thank you.”

I love to see you whenever you can come by.
Thank you for all you do.



Pictured above, a child displaying the craft he made at one of our free summer camps.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

It's time to re-enroll.

Through the Kroger Community Rewards program, your “everyday” approved purchases provide important support to Mission Arlington®.

Re-enrollment begins on August 1st.

HERE ARE THE INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Go to: www.kroger.com/communityrewards;
2. Sign in with your user name and password;
3. Go to “View Your Rewards Details;”
4. Enter by Name: Mission Arlington or Mission Metroplex; or by our organization number: **80429**.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

TAKING CARE OF OUR STUDENTS

WE EXPECT to provide **more than 9,000** Arlington ISD students the supplies they need to start the school year.

YOUR SUPPORT means so much to individual students, to their families, and to us. The Mission Arlington® family believes that **personal investment** and **followup** are key components to providing these supplies. We keep in touch with these families through the year and respond when we can wherever there is a need.

WE APPRECIATE the continued generosity of this community to help us support the children and youth in our schools who just want to start school with the same supplies that other students have.

YOU CAN FIND links to the list of needed supplies on the home page of our website: www.missionarlington.org. Bring the school supplies to the mission office whenever you can.

THANK YOU SO MUCH for your faithful, generous support. You are making a difference in our community's students.



This young lady received school supplies last year.

A REFRESHING SUMMER

7 FREE CAMPS FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH



More than 1,000 children & youth will attend a Mission Arlington® Summer camp. **Because you give, these camps are free for the students.**

RAINBOW EXPRESS®



Summer Missionary Ceasar, from McAllen, teaching God's word at **Rainbow Express.**

Since March, **34,234 children and youth** have heard of God's love for them through Rainbow Express®.



MISSIONARY INTERNS THROUGH THE SUMMER

Teaching children at camp to sing.



Thirty students from five states spend all, or part, of their summer here.

FREE LUNCHES PROVIDED FOR CHILDREN



Hundreds of children & youth receive free meals in multiple locations, five days a week across our community. **No child should go hungry!**

THANKS TO YOU

We wish you could see the difference your gifts make on a daily basis. When you give, we give it away, and we are twice-blessed. Here are a few notes we've received this month. They are written to you:



"Years ago, when I was a young single mother, I walked miles to Mission Arlington® with my baby in a broken stroller. You filled my stroller full of groceries as much as you could, and that was 17 years ago. . . . I am sending this message to tell you yesterday that little girl I walked miles to feed graduated high school with a scholarship to college. You are all doing the right thing. She is not a statistic; she is a role model. I've always reminded her where we came from, and if someone is ever in need - to pay it forward. Thank you for all you do!

From the President of a UTA student organization who contacted us about creative ways they could support our Christmas store. Here is what she wrote:



"You have Rainbow Express at my apartment complex; my sons have been invited to church by some of your volunteers, and I will even be finally getting dental assistance through your organization after struggling financially not to be able to get it done. I believe that no matter how low your income, it is still a blessing to be a blessing."

From a voicemail that came into our offices this month:



"I just got some couches delivered to my apartment. I'm on the second floor. I just wanted to thank everyone who came out and brought the couches to us. We really appreciate it. Thank you guys for everything you do (tears). . . God bless you all. I will keep you in my prayers.