

Adopt an Angel

Community Objective

To have local student groups adopt angels in continuous counties and provide them with Christmas gifts. This allows students who have been or are recipients of service the opportunity to be providers to neighboring counties.

Background

The Salvation Army places paper Angel decorated Christmas trees in various business establishments during early fall for the purpose of being adopted for Christmas. Each angel represents a child in need of Christmas gifts and contains age, sex, clothing sizes and a special gift that child may want. Many of our students are on assistance programs and are angels on the Taylor County Salvation Army list. We wanted the students to become the providers for other needy children. The students choose angels close to their own age group. The students use profits from fundraisers to purchase gifts for their angels.

Challenged Student Conditions

- ~Physically challenged students can be service providers in this project if we (1) include them in the planning, and (2) recruit them to be a part of the project.
- ~Academically challenged students can be service providers in this project if we (1) recruit them to be part of the project, and (2) have them assist students who are less skilled than they are.

Resources

- ~Salvation Army provides information needed to adopt angels.
- ~Funds provided for shopping through raffle for trash can full of groceries.
- ~Parents willing to participate in raffle sale.
- ~Transportation for shopping and delivery of gifts.

Timeline of Service Activities

- October
- ~Recruit teachers and parents to participate.
 - ~Acquire trashcan and contents through donation and/or purchase.
 - ~Make raffle tickets for trash can of groceries and distribute.

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- October-
- November 15 ~Fill trashcan with groceries.
- November 17 ~Draw winning raffle ticket and deliver can of groceries prior to Thanksgiving.
- November 30 ~Obtain paper angel from Salvation Army Angel Tree
- December ~Have students make shopping list for gifts.
~Shop for gifts.
~Wrap gifts and deliver to drop-off point designated by Salvation Army.

Reflection

- ~Students will keep journals on the experience, writing their feelings about this project and how they think the recipients might feel.
- ~Analyze the choices of gifts.
- ~Discuss the affect this project made on both the providers and receivers.

Celebration

- ~Recognition of project in school and local community paper.
- ~Give students a certificate for participation.

Academic Objective

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Process/Workplace

- ~Given an event or activity, identify the resources needed and develop a plan of action. (PW.5)
- ~Demonstrate the ability to operate computer equipment. (PW.26)
- ~Demonstrate self-motivation. (PW.37)
- ~Given a fixed amount of funds, create a budget and demonstrate the ability to balance the amount of funds that are deposited and withdrawn. (PW.41)
- ~Provide community service and assess entrepreneurial opportunities that exist within the community, the region, the state, or the nation. (PW.49)

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