

Newsletter Article

Project Transformation Rio Texas addresses three unique challenges with one program: 1) how to meet the academic, physical, social-emotional, and spiritual needs of children from low-income communities, 2) how to provide meaningful ways for College students to explore ministry opportunities and develop as young principled leaders for the church and the world; and 3) how to help anchor churches through outreach and relationships. It is through relationships that lives are transformed.

PT's mission is to transform communities by engaging **Children, College students, and Churches** in purposeful relationships, because our vision is of a world that is rooted in love, pursues the equity of all people, and amplifies God's call on every life.

This collaborative model of ministry harnesses the creative energy and leadership of college-age young adults who live in intentional Christian community, run literacy focused summer camps for children in overburdened neighborhoods while exploring their call. The programs are held at site churches and supported by partner churches thereby helping churches connect in meaningful ways with their communities.

Ways you can help this summer:

One-to-One Reading Volunteers – Mon-Thu 10a-12p – June 13- July 26

Caring volunteers read with children in 1st-6th grade enrolled in PT's summer day camps. The literacy component of Project Transformation is an exciting opportunity for volunteers to interact with the children in a one-to-one setting. Prior to volunteering, all volunteers must complete a background check and complete online training. No previous experience is needed!

Locations:

St. Mark UMC, 301 W. Pecan Blvd., McAllen, TX 78501

Provide Collegiate Dinners – Sun-Thu 6:30p-7:30p – June 5 through July 26

Groups and individuals are needed to provide dinner Sunday through Thursday for PT's Collegiates. This is a great opportunity to serve, encourage and get to know young people making a difference!

Location: UTRGV Campus Ministry, 123 N. Sugar Rd., Edinburg, TX 78541

Book and Supply Drive

No book goes to waste. New or gently used books for children of all ages are needed to create the PT site libraries and stock free bookstores. Supplies are also needed. Use our Amazon Wishlist to see what's needed and purchase directly. Items are shipped directly to PT. View the wish list via our website, www.ptriotexas.org or contact us to schedule a time to drop off books at our office.

**For more information and to sign-up to volunteer or to provide a dinner visit
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