

# A LETTER TO OUR NEIGHBORS



North Rosenberg Edition

Vol. 9

Run to Attack Poverty presented by UT Physicians

7TH ANNUAL  
RUN TO  
ATTACK POVERTY  
5K 10K  
KIDS-K

Presented By  
UT Physicians

Are You  
Ready  
To Run?

April 21, 2018  
7:30am - 12:00pm

1305 Clay St.  
Richmond, TX

REGISTER TODAY:  
[attackpoverty.org/5k](http://attackpoverty.org/5k)

This is an event for the entire family! Attack Poverty will be hosting their 7th Annual Run to Attack Poverty 10K | 5K and Kids 1K presented by UT Physicians which will include a chip timed certified 10K competitive Run, 5K Run/Walk, a Kids 1K, and a toddler trot! You don't want to miss out on this year's race which features a color splash and a costume contest! After the race, join us for other festivities which include a Health & Fitness Fair, Food, Music and Activities for the kids!

Join the Friends of North Rosenberg Team and get a "FREE" Yellow shirt in addition to your Race shirt, SWAG Bag presented by TDECU and lots of goodies. Come run, walk, stroll or crawl with the FNRO Team! Registration is now open at [www.attackpoverty.org/5k](http://www.attackpoverty.org/5k)

For more information contact Rose Pickens at 713.261.0010 or [Rose@attackpoverty.org](mailto:Rose@attackpoverty.org). Sponsorship opportunities are available!





# The Volunteer Classifieds

Email Faith Guerrero for more details: [Faith@attackpoverty.org](mailto:Faith@attackpoverty.org)

## YOU CAN ACADEMY

You Can Academy (YCA) focuses primarily on the academic success of elementary school age children attending Title 1 schools, through personalized after school homework help and tutoring. A nutritious meal is provided to each student, which in most cases is the last meal of the day that many of these children will receive. We partner with Jackson Elementary School to provide directed homework assistance to children at risk. Our goal is to be able to support 30 students beginning in October. Our strategy is to connect adult volunteer mentors with students in need to provide them with the necessary tools to be successful in school as well as life. We feed the mind, body, and spirit!

## ADULT EDUCATION

Our adult education program empowers individuals to take the next steps in their life. We know a hand up through education is vital to ongoing growth and transformation as adults seek to achieve their long-term and short-term goals. It is exciting to see a growing number of adults engaged through our programs as they obtain jobs, get their GED, learn English, and gain additional skills through our computer and financial education classes. Volunteers are needed to mentor adults in ESL and GED Prep classes as well as Basic Computer skills.

## REVITALIZATIONS VOLUNTEER

### *Saturday Work Days*

Our Home Repair program is geared to assist low income, single parent, elderly or flood affected individuals with critical repairs needed to their home. We also do community revitalization projects. We have volunteer opportunities for the whole family. Since Hurricane Harvey devastated the North Rosenberg and Cummings Road Area we will be assisting home owners in the rebuild process as well. Skilled volunteers are needed for drywall hanging, insulation, painting and flooring as well. Volunteers can call Faith at 832.471.6090 for details.

## COMMUNITY GARDEN

We have a 6 Raised Bed Community Garden that is geared towards providing fresh fruits and vegetables to the residents in the community. Our garden also has a Prayer Wall and Picnic Tables for the community to be able to come in to enjoy. We will also host events in the garden for both children and adults. If you are interested in learning more about the CommUNITY Garden contact Jennifer at 832.471.6090.

***Sign up for FNRO Remind 101***

Enter this number : 81010

Text this message : @fnrov

Or

Click this link:

<https://www.remind.com/join/fnrov>



# You Can Academy learns about Police and Firefighters



The students of You Can Academy really enjoy the support of our Rosenberg Fire Department and Police Department. Officer Jazz Roberts, from the RPD, comes in weekly to read with students and offer In School Support. Officer Jazz is our District 1 Community Relations Officer and is one of our best volunteers. The Rosenberg Fire Department comes in monthly to volunteer reading to the students and providing safety tips. The firefighters came in February and introduced themselves to the You Can Academy students and gave them a tour of the fire truck. The firefighters also discussed home safety, making an escape route in case of fire and proper 911 calling procedures. The You Can Academy kids additionally got to operate the fire hose!

We count our blessings in regard to our awesome police and firefighters and their positive involvement with this community!



## Important Dates

• March 24 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday Work Day (Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday)
• March 26 <sup>th</sup>	GED/ESL Classes (Every Monday and Wednesday)
• March 29 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday   LCISD No School
• March 30 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday – FNRO Office Closed
• April 1 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Sunday
• April 6 <sup>th</sup>	Game Night in the Garden
• April 7 <sup>th</sup>	Basic Computer Classes (Every 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday)
• April 21 <sup>st</sup>	Run to Attack Poverty <i>presented by</i> UT Physicians
• June 11 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup>	Mission Week 2018
• June 18 <sup>th</sup> – August 10 <sup>th</sup>	Buddy Reading Summer Program



# Community Garden

It's been a busy month in the garden. We are so blessed to have Ms. Adelia Tucker as our key garden volunteer. She comes and works with, waters and loves the plants, and with this our garden is flourishing! So far we have strawberries, cabbage, spinach, broccoli, tomatoes, and various herbs and spices. Something new to our garden this year is flowers. We have flowers of all colors and hues and a blessing box built by volunteers! Our blessing box will serve as a mini food pantry. As you have extra (non-perishable goods) you can drop them off, and as you need them you can take them. Please feel free to stop by and utilize our blessing box! We also invite our community into the garden for meetings or just to enjoy a cup of coffee. The garden is a great place to just sit and enjoy the blessings God has put before us and upon us! What a mighty God we serve. For he has blessed us in so many ways! For additional information contact Jennifer at 832.471.6090 for details.



## Volunteer Highlight | Kevin Johnson



*Kevin Johnson, Revitalization Team Lead meeting home owners*

Meet Kevin Johnson - After the Memorial Day Flood 2016 church partner, Parkway United Methodist Church, helped rebuild a home in Wharton and surrounding communities. Kevin spent every weekend of the summer of 2016 mucking and gutting homes in the Rosenberg area with All Hands Volunteers. When they departed and headed to Baton Rouge to respond to another disaster he started working with Friends of North Rosenberg as we started rebuilding homes along the Brazos River. He helped FNRO crews all through the winter of 2016-2017. When hurricane Harvey hit in August 2017, Kevin began working with Friends of North Rosenberg to again rebuild homes in North Rosenberg and Rio Bend areas. Kevin volunteers as Revitalization Team Lead and gives so much to the CommUNITY and each family he serves!

Kevin has helped coordinate Outreach for Parkway UMC since 2004 when he moved here from Nigeria, before that it was California, Korea, Singapore, Louisiana, Brazil, Texas, and a winter in Iowa as he rotated to Angola. He has worked for Chevron since 1981, where they in his words "pay me to roam around the world building things, and where I can also accomplish what work God puts in front of me."

## Prayer Team

Need Prayer? Stop by our Community Garden where we have a prayer wall that you can write your prayers on, or simply place them in the box for our Spiritual Growth Team of local ministers to pray over.

If you have the gift of compassion and prayer and would like to join the Spiritual Growth Team contact Betty Ragsdale at

[Betty@attackpoverty.org](mailto:Betty@attackpoverty.org) for more details.





## Mission Week 2018



*Basketball Sports Camp*

Want to go on a mission trip? Join Friends of North Rosenberg for our 4<sup>th</sup> annual Mission Week in our own backyard June 11<sup>th</sup> to June 14<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. This is for you and your family, friends, and neighbors to serve alongside each other.

All students ages 11 and older may volunteer. If you have children ages 4-10 they can be a part of the Kids Camp!

Join us in being the Hands and Feet of Jesus Christ right here in our own city!

Please contact Faith Guerrero @ [faith@attackpoverty.org](mailto:faith@attackpoverty.org) for more info.

## Where Will You Volunteer This Spring?

You Can Academy (Monday and Wednesdays | 3-5pm) – Directed after-school tutoring for K-5<sup>th</sup> grade students at Jackson Elementary School

ESL Tutor (Mondays and Wednesdays | 6-8pm) – Help adults learn English

GED Tutor (Mondays and Wednesdays | 6-8pm) – Tutor adults as they earn their GED

Basic Computer Workshop (Every other Saturday | 9am-12pm) – Help adults learn basic computer skills

Home Repair (Every other Saturday | 830am – 330pm) – Provide assistance with home repairs including drywall, painting, and construction

CommUNITY Garden (TBD) – Assist with the maintenance and upkeep of the garden

*Email Faith Guerrero to get involved: [Faith@attackpoverty.org](mailto:Faith@attackpoverty.org)*

## Looking for work?

Looking for work? Stop by the North Rosenberg Community Resource Office and check out our new Jobs & Resources Guide, updated weekly!

### CONTACT US

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