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# A Letter to our Neighbors



## Friends of North Rosenberg

Friends of North Rosenberg would like to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a New Year of blessings.

For FNRO, 2019 brought about not only programs and events, but also an opportunity for us to embark on Community Listening to better understand the present needs of the Rosenberg community. We can look to 2020 as we reflect on what 2019 meant.

From You Can Academy, to educational classes, to home elevations, to resident revitalizations, to Mission Week, to Breaking Bread, we were able to provide meaningful and impactful results!

None of which could have been possible without the great support of our staff, volunteers, sponsors, families, friends, and local leadership that came out and supported the programs throughout the year; and for that we THANK YOU!

Continue to love, laugh, play, work, rest and pray. Let us all stay reminded that to serve God is serving our community.

Be safe and enjoy the holiday season. Coming soon---the new Friends of North Rosenberg Resource Center!!!

***Kem Redic***

Director, Friends of North Rosenberg

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## Child Services



### You Can Academy

We have had another great year at You Can Academy! The students are still receiving help with homework and reading time and they are loving the new addition of recess time each day.

We trick or treated You Can Academy style, learned about space and all God created, and came up with new flash card games as we worked on our math.

We are looking forward to learning about New Years and making goals after our Christmas break. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



## Mark Your Calendars:

**December 20th:**

*Ground Breaking*

**December 24th - January 1st:**

*FNRO Resource Office closed*

**December 23-January 3:**

*LCISD Christmas Break*

**January 13th:**

*First day back to You Can Academy*

**January 20th:**

*MLK Holiday - FNRO Resource Office*

*Closed - **No You Can Academy***

**March 9th - 13th:**

*LCISD Spring Break - **No You Can***

***Academy***

### **Questions about volunteering? Email**

[faith@attackpoverty.org](mailto:faith@attackpoverty.org)

## Volunteer Classifieds

### HOME REPAIR & REVITALIZATION

#### 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. Volunteers are needed for drywall hanging, insulation, painting and flooring as well. New dates to be determined.

### CHILD SERVICES

#### You Can Academy

*Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday (2:30-5pm)*

We host our You Can Academy that tutors and mentors 1st through 5th grade students. They receive a snack, hear a bible lesson, work on their homework and then have some free time to play! Relationships form from volunteers showing up consistently week after week and encouraging the students to graduate school to do amazing things with their life! More volunteers mean we can accept more students. Volunteer 1 day, 2 days or all 3! Sign up at this link to volunteer: <https://tinyurl.com/fnroyca2019-20>

### 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. Volunteers are needed to mentor adults in ESL and GED Prep classes as well as Basic Computer skills. Contact Faith Guerrero @ [faith@attackpoverty.org](mailto:faith@attackpoverty.org), 832-471-6090 or fill out an application online: <https://tinyurl.com/fnrovolapp>





## Meet Diego.

Diego Pina is our You Can Academy Intern. He has been volunteering with us since September of 2019 every day at our after school program. He is a resident of Rosenberg and has been working on his citizenship for 12 years. He was born in Mexico and moved to 7<sup>th</sup> street in North Rosenberg with his mother and older sister when he was 10. He attended Jackson Elementary

during 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade, George Junior High and graduated from BF Terry High School in 2008. Living with 6 people in a 1 room house his mother wanted better for her family and saved for a car and then for a trailer and they moved to Beasley.

He moved back to Rosenberg in 2019 from San Antonio knowing he wanted to give back to his community. He found Friends of North Rosenberg after searching for local volunteer opportunities. Diego has been so much more to us than just an intern at You Can Academy during our Fall semester, he has made himself available for any and all volunteer opportunities while waiting to sign up for his Spring college courses where he wants to do something with Social Work.

## PROGRAMS

### NEW PROGRAMS

As we are winding down the physical year and gearing up for a fruitful 2020, the Friends of North Rosenberg team is making plans to grow our programs and events alongside the building of our up and coming Friends of North Rosenberg Resource Center! We are currently looking for churches and small groups to come in and walk beside us in this journey. The sky is the limit, where is God calling you to lead?

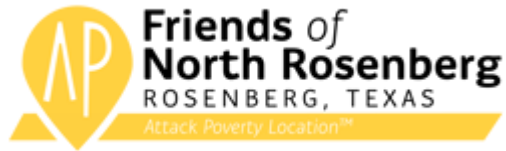
### GED

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3! Or at least that's how we wish it could be... Our GED students have been studying away and have successfully finished both their Basic Computer and Remedial Math portions of The Friends of North Rosenberg GED program. After the Christmas holiday, we welcome our students back to continue studying all portions of the GED test. Some of our students have started their testing process, and we are so proud to see them stepping out of their comfort zone and building their confidence! This is no easy feat, especially to an individual who may have been out of school for 5-15 years or more!



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