

A Letter to our Neighbors



A Word from our Director

Ecclesiastes 3: 1-2 "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot"

Holiday season is upon us! Just like that, we are in the last couple months of the year and we are excited here at FNR for the season that we are in and the one we are headed into.

Currently we are in a season of growth as we have added to our team a Community Liaison and a Community Garden Coordinator, whom you will get to know more in this newsletter. We are also in a season of rebuilding as we are planning for our Trunk or Treat (Oct 29), Friendsgiving (Nov 20), and Christmas Market (Dec 11).

What season are you in at the moment? Whether you are in a planting season or an uprooting season, we encourage you to grow with us, get connected, and join us for one of our events during these Holidays!

In Christ,

Emmanuel Frias | Director
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Neighbors Helping Neighbors



Mr. Fred Mayberry is a lifetime resident of North Richmond. He also grew up with our Community Liaison, Cliff Thomas. Fred has a background in construction and repairs. He has generously given his time and talents to support many friends around the community, including mowing and maintaining the Mt. Carmel Cemetery, repairs on many friends and family members' homes. Often, Cliff connects Fred with areas of need, and Fred, who enjoys helping others, pitches in to help whenever he can.

We are grateful for Mr. Mayberry and all that he does to make North Richmond a safer and better place to live.

Fort Bend County Fair Parade



Our local teams were thrilled to join the Fort Bend Fair Parade on Friday, September 24. Representatives from our Richmond, Rosenberg, Katy, Stafford, Disaster Recover, and Northside Locations represented our local and global Attack Poverty locations. This 85th annual parade is a longstanding tradition in the Richmond/Rosenberg community. It was a joy to see so many smiling faces and see the community come together to support one another.



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You Can Academy Kickoff



Volunteers work with kids to help with homework and provide mentoring and guidance after school.

You Can Academy is off to a great start! With nearly 40 students enrolled in our after school program, our team works to provide a safe and fun place for students to excel and grow.

Held at T.L. Pink Elementary Monday-Thursday from 3:00-6:00pm, You Can Academy focuses on the holistic needs of 1st-5th graders. When students arrive, they pray together, recite the You Can Creed, and eat a meal together.

This is followed by Story of the Day, a devotional time led by adults and students alike. The students then have DEAR (Drop Everything And Read) time and do some journaling.

After homework is complete, they go to recreational time, where they do some type of guided activity or play to get out all their energy.

To learn more about You Can Academy, email Susan Jackson: susan@attackpoverty.org

To learn more about volunteering, email sarahbeth@attackpoverty.org

Community Garden Work Day

On Saturday, September 25, we partnered with Calvary Episcopal for a Garden Work Day.

Led by our Community Garden Coordinator, Britt Huggins, volunteers joined in to clean up, weed, and prepare the Preston Street Community Garden for the fall planting season.

Want to join us again? We are hosting another Garden Work Day on Saturday, October 2, from 9am-12pm.



Introductions



We are excited to welcome Britt Huggins, our Community Garden Coordinator. Britt grew up in the City of Brotherly Love, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She is excited to be a part of the team at Friends of North Richmond, meeting people where they are, and is ready to serve and grow with the Community.

Britt's favorite food is French Fries, and her current favorite TV show is Ted Lasso, as well as Dickinson and Grace and Frankie. She is most proud of her youngest brother graduating high school this past June. She took a sabbatical from college to raise him and he made it!

Gardening and food security are Britt's passions and she looks forward to doing what she loves with Friends of North Richmond, making an impact in the Community.



Cliff Thomas is a longtime community member of North Richmond and has served on our team over the years both as a staff member and volunteer.

Cliff's favorite movies are The Wild Bunch and Wild in the Streets, and his favorite place to eat is Whataburger.

Because of his desire to give back to his community, Cliff has joined our team as our Community Liaison, building connections with community members and supporting residents of North Richmond with home repair and resources.

*We have ongoing opportunities for volunteering and donating.
Don't miss these ways that you can be involved!*

Volunteer Opportunities

- Community Garden Work Day | October 2
- Staying on Track (Trunk or Treat) | October 29
- Prayer Team
- You Can Academy | After School Program
Monday-Thursday 3-6pm
- Front Desk Support | Help at our Reception desk Monday-Thursday afternoons
- ESL | Teach Level 1 English as Second Language
- GED Tutoring | Help an adult earn their GED
- Hope in Fort Bend | Monthly outreach to our homeless neighbors: bit.ly/saturdayhotmeal

To learn about all the ways you can volunteer with us, visit attackpoverty.galaxydigital.com or email our Volunteer Coordinator, Sarah Beth Baca: sarahbeth@attackpoverty.org

**Sign up to receive our Remind Text:
Simply text @fnrvol to 81010**



Donation Needs

We welcome donations of the following:

- NEW TOYS FOR CHRISTMAS MARKET
- HOMELESS OUTREACH ITEMS:
bit.ly/saturdayhotmeal
- BOTTLED WATER
- GATORADE
- HEALTHY SNACKS, JUICE, AND FRUIT FOR OUR AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
- HOME DEPOT & LOWES GIFT CARDS
- ART & CRAFT SUPPLIES
- HAND SANITIZER

Donations can be dropped off at our Resource Center Monday-Friday between 9am-5pm:

FNR Neighborhood Resource Center
1305 Clay St.
Richmond, TX 77469
281-762-2068

**Make a one-time or monthly gift:
attackpoverty.org/donate**

FNR CALENDAR 2021-22

We've planned the year but we know as we work, changes are necessary.

"In their hearts human plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps".

Proverbs 16:9

July 2021

- Food Distribution -Every Wednesday
- Financial Assistance
- Children's Summer Program
- Hot Meals for the Homeless (July 30th)
- Community Revival (July 24th)
- ESL Class / GED Class End

August 2021

- Food Distribution - Every Wednesday
- Financial Assistance
- Hot Meals for the Homeless (Aug 28th)
- Prayer Outreach (August 19th)
- ESL/GED Assesments Begin
- Back to School Teacher Supply Drive (Aug 19th)

September 2021

- Food Distribution
- Prayer Walk through the Community (Sept 16th)
- Financial Assistance
- In Person Elementary School Support
- Hot Meals for the Homeless (Sept 25th)
- You Can Parent Orientation (Sept 9th)
- You Can Academy Starts (Sept 13th)
- Adult Education Workshops

October 2021

- Food Distribution
- Financial Assistance
- Community Garden Work Day (Oct 2)
- In Person Elementary School Support
- Hot Meals for the Homeless (Oct 30th)
- Staying on Track: Trunk or Treat (Oct. 29th)
- Prayer Outreach (Oct 15th)
- Adult Education Workshops

November 2021

- Food Distribution
- Financial Assistance
- In Person Elementary School Support
- Friendsgiving (Nov 20th)
- Prayer Outreach (Nov 18th)
- Adult Education Workshops

December 2021

- Food Distribution
- Financial Assistance
- In Person Elementary School Support
- Elementary Christmas Party (Dec 16th)
- Christmas Market (Dec 11th)
- Prayer Walk through the Community
- ESL/GED Semester Ends

January 2022

- Prayer Outreach (January 20th)
- Financial Assistance
- In Person Elementary School Support
- Food Distribution
- Hot Meals for the Homeless (Jan 28th)
- ESL / GED Assessments begin

February 2022

- Prayer Outreach (February 17th)
- Financial Assistance
- Volunteer Meet & Greet
- In Person Elementary School Support
- Food Distribution
- Hot Meals for the Homeless (Feb 26th)
- Adult Education Workshops

March 2022

- Prayer Walk through the Community
- Financial Assistance
- Eagle Week
- Faith & Finance Workshop
- In Person Elementary School Support
- Food Distribution
- Hot Meals for the Homeless (March 26th)
- Adult Education Workshops

April 2022

- Prayer Outreach (April 21st)
- Financial Assistance
- Incentive Parties
- Faith & Finance Workshop
- In Person Elementary School Support
- Food Distribution
- Hot Meals for the Homeless ((April 30th)
- Volunteer Appreciation
- Attack Poverty 5K
- Adult Education Workshops

May 2022

- Prayer Outreach (May 20th)
- Financial Assistance
- Teacher Support
- In Person Elementary School Support
- Food Distribution
- Hot Meals for the Homeless (May 29th)
- ESL Class / GED Semester Ends
- Adult Education Workshops

June 2022

- Food Distribution
- Mission Week
- Prayer Walk through the Community (June 17th)