

BACK TO SCHOOL CLOTHING AND SUPPLIES

As summer winds down, the time has come for children and teenagers to prepare to head back to school, which also means parents must begin the task of gathering school supplies and clothes for a new school year. Preparing to go back to school can be a financial challenge, leaving many children and teens to attend their first day of school without the necessary supplies to have a successful year. At SOS, we strive to eliminate the stress of the season by doing our best to assist as many families as possible with their back to school needs. Each summer before school starts, we take families to purchase back to school clothes and supplies so they feel prepared to begin the school year. Whether it is purchasing new school clothes or essential school supplies, we hope to bless as many of our kids and teens as possible. SOS is committed and willing to go to great lengths to see the children and teens that we serve succeed. We believe that if we can help the children of SOS prepare for school, we are better equipping them to be a light for Jesus in their schools. Would you consider partnering with us to help us provide back to school clothes and supplies for the kids and teens at SOS? To be a part of helping our kids and teens prepare for school, see the insert or visit our website at: www.saveourstreetsministries.org/give. Thank you for partnering with SOS to help our children and teens start the school year with all the supplies they need! Your faithful "YES" gives us the power to reach out and be a tangible expression of the love of Christ to the families throughout the Brazos Valley!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

"It was late at night in the summer of 1994 when I was dropping off the last girl at her home. Dena, a 15-year-old girl in my Teen Girls' class suddenly grabbed me by the hand and said, 'Ms. Carmen, will you please come inside and tell my family about Jesus? I told them that I was going to bring you by tonight! They are all waiting for you right now.' I went inside and they were all sitting on the couch. I shared the most beautiful of all stories with them, the Gospel of Jesus! That very night, the whole family received Jesus in their hearts! Rosa, Dena's aunt who was raising her, asked, 'If I invite my friends, will you come to my home and teach us the Bible?' It was from that encounter that SOS Women's Ministry was birthed!"

—Carmen Maxwell, Assistant Director

For the past 29 years, God has used SOS Ministries to bring many daughters and their households to His Kingdom! The SOS Women's Ministry is a safe place where women of all walks of life can come with their hurt, pain, and mistakes and be unconditionally loved. It is a love found through using God's Word to encourage and form loving relationships and accountability based on the description found in Titus 2. Women are taught how to love their husbands and their children in a way that glorifies the Lord. These women are using Biblical truths to break generational curses in their lives and the lives of their children. Prayer and God's word are central in this ministry so that they might encounter God, and become living examples of Jesus in their communities.

One of our SOS ladies shared with us: "As a single mom after an emotional divorce,

I was trying to find hope and my purpose. SOS Ministries is a place of miracles! To be in the atmosphere of God's mercy and grace is very peaceful. The ladies in the Women's Bible Study are amazing and show love and compassion to everyone that walks through the door. It is a sisterhood from Heaven. They are prayer warriors and will stand in the gap for you like no other. The Bible Study lessons will not only equip you for warfare, but they also strengthen your daily relationship with God. The transparency at SOS has no boundaries, and no one is ever considered too far gone. The invitation is to come and lock arms with not only others in this ministry, but to also minister and serve the needs of our community. This ministry has been on the front lines and there's no other place I'd rather be to help bring daughters to the Kingdom of God!"

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We are incredibly grateful to be a part of women surrendering their hearts to the Lord and choosing to fully live for Him at our Women's Ministry. It is an incredible opportunity for more than 60 women to be poured into through our weekly Bible studies & various events throughout the year. Whether it is our ARISE Conference, weekend retreats or other special events, women are receiving the love of Jesus & truth from His Word.

Are you interested in being a part of what God is doing in the lives of ladies in our Women's Ministry? You can support the Women's Ministry by going to www.saveourstreetsministries.org/give and selecting "Women's Ministry" as the "Area to Donate to". Thank you for your faithful partnership in helping us impact the lives of women and their families in our community!



Women's Ministry



Back to School Shopping



Women's Ministry Garage Sale



On Location



Volunteer Spotlight: Savannah

Meet Savannah, one of our incredible SOS volunteers who has served faithfully over the last 3 years with our After School Program. She has also served as a Children's Ministry intern. She has a beautiful heart for children and strives to make sure that every child hears the powerful story of the Gospel! Savannah can usually be found surrounded by kids having intentional conversations that point kids to Jesus. She loves deeply, walks humbly & is a reflection of the heart of Jesus to many kids each day. We are incredibly grateful for Savannah and all the time she has faithfully invested. Many kids here at SOS have experienced the love of Jesus because of the way she serves each day. Here's what she has shared with us about her time volunteering at SOS...

"In my time at SOS, I have learned so much about Jesus' love and grace. Over the past 3 years I've had the chance to serve some of the most incredible kids, and it wasn't always easy, but I could always rely on the fact that Jesus was in pursuit of their hearts. For some of them, it wasn't until the last day of my time there that I saw what God had been doing over the course of 3 years. For other kids, we are still waiting eagerly to see what God will do with the seeds that are planted in them. There is nothing like seeing someone finally understand the love and grace of our Savior... and this is what people have the chance to be a part of when they serve in our Children's Ministry. Jesus LOVES the little children, and I got to see that first-hand; He's going to use them in ways that they can't even imagine."



DID YOU KNOW?

SOS is sending **over 100 kids** to camp this year! Thank you to the **Marshall V. Ross Foundation** for helping make this possible!



IGNITE THE NEXT GENERATION

The heart of this \$6.5 Million campaign is to create space for more families to experience God's love through SOS. The campaign will expand our programs and facilities to widen our reach and deepen our impact for Jesus in the community.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 8** Friday Night Worship Returns
- July 11** On Location (Mondays: July 11, 18, 25 and August 1st)
- AUG 1**
- AUG 7-11** Pine Cove Camp
- AUG 26-28** Women's Ministry Retreat



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