

VOCATIONAL TRAINING

The Jack Threadgill Vocational Training program has been a means for life and generational transformation for people since its first class in summer 2019. Through the vision of J.J. Ramirez and Jack Threadgill, SOS has provided groups of men and women with the opportunity to change the trajectory of their lives through Vocational Training Program classes in CDL training, plumbing, and welding AT NO COST. Since the program began in 2019, we have trained OVER 150 men & women in a highly employable trade (either plumbing, welding, or earning their CDL-B).

Our Vocational Training Program has had an incredible start to 2024. We have a full Welding Class as well as a full CDL Class. During these courses, students gain employable strengths and connect with licensed welders and mentors. Not only do they gain skills, but students also obtain knowledge in financial management and relational & spiritual guidance to take further steps towards making wise, Godly decisions for their lives and families. Over 150 students have participated in the Jack Threadgill Vocational Training Program since it began in 2019. In 2023 alone, we had 60 men and women.

A huge THANK YOU to Twin City Properties, United Way of the Brazos Valley, Custom Fabricators & Repairs, Paul Hundl, all our generous volunteers, donors and most importantly, our Heavenly Father. As always, our secondary goal is to provide real-world job training skills, but our PRIMARY goal is to allow every participant in our program to hear the Good News of Christ! Your kindness, partnership, and support help us share the love of Jesus in our community & make an even greater impact in the lives of hundreds of families!

We are looking forward to another full CDL class beginning March 6th! To volunteer or sign up for the May class, call or visit the SOS office or contact Craig at craig@saveourstreetsministries.org

"BECOMING SONS & DAUGHTERS"

During a normal week here at SOS, we have 150 volunteers that help share the Gospel to during our Children's Ministry activities. Our volunteers help us create a foundation of truth by discipling and leading the kids here at SOS. We strive to create an environment where kids can mature in their faith and take home what they are learning here. Our verse for Children's Ministry this school year is 2 Corinthians 12:9 "Each time he said 'My grace is all you need. My power works best in weaknesses', so that the power of Christ can work through me." Westy Peck is one of our faithful volunteers who has been serving with us for 10 years. She serves during our Monday Night Children's Ministry program and is also a professional photographer who often blesses us by using her talents in taking pictures during many SOS events! Westy embodies a faithful woman of God that our children here at SOS can look up to!

"I cannot think of a ministry where I'd rather spend my time volunteering that has been more impactful than Save Our Streets Ministries. I stumbled upon the S.O.S. booth during Texas A&M's Impact Camp ministry fair and had no idea what to expect. Though I grew up in the church and was involved in numerous church camps and weekend retreats, I had very little experience working with children in poverty (outside of mission trips). I anticipated showing up on Monday nights, checking off the "volunteer with a Christian ministry" box on my mental to-do list, and feeling a little bit better about myself. However, after the first week, none of that was even on my mind; my eyes were opened to a much greater purpose. These sweet babies had no clue how deeply loved they were! God was inviting me to be part

of planting seeds to further His kingdom, and that was an opportunity I couldn't pass up.

As I wrap up year 10 of volunteering, I am overwhelmed by how good God is and the impact that has been made, not only in the lives of others, but in my own. Kids who had never heard the name of Jesus are showing up week after week with a hunger to know more about our Father in Heaven who created and loves us, sent His only son to die on a cross for us, defeated death, and is coming back again! No more sin, no more shame, no more brokenness. It is an absolute privilege to be part of what God is doing here. Seeing the excitement in our kids as they hear the truth

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of the Gospel has humbled me; it's like hearing it all for the first time over and over again as joy beams from the faces of our little ones. They do not have to become another statistic; they can break the cycle. More importantly, they have a chance of becoming a son or daughter of God. But someone has to tell them; someone has to share the good news with them! I

am thankful every day that God invited me to be part of what He is doing here in Bryan, and you have an open invitation, as well. Step out in faith, give God your "yes," and allow Him to use you in a mighty way that has an eternal impact. The Gospel is real. It's powerful. It's changing hearts and God's kingdom is growing!"

We are so grateful for Westy and the time she has dedicated to our Children's Ministry! She inspires us and everyone she encounters. We would not be able to do the things we do without the grace of God and volunteers like Westy!



Welding Class-Spring 2024



SOS kids & teens- Aggie Basketball Game



Women's Ministry - YOU ARE Conference



After School Program

The One My Soul Loves Couples Retreat

This year's upcoming Couples Retreat will be on March 1-3 in beautiful Round Top, TX. The retreat is themed "The One My Heart Loves" based on Song of Solomon 3:4. In a world filled with brokenness and struggles, navigating through different seasons of marriage can become difficult for many couples. Many of those we reach come from lives filled with broken families, and the idea of seeing a healthy and loving marriage that glorifies the Lord seems like a false hope. Our desire at SOS is to provide opportunities for healing, generational change and growth to happen to the couples and families we serve. The retreat will last the entire weekend and we are excited to hear the hearts of our wonderful speakers,

Flip & Susan Flippen as they share about their 33 years of marriage. The couples will also enjoy an incredible time of fellowship, prayer, games, and teachings on what Kingdom marriage looks like. Our hopes and prayers for the Couples Retreat is to seek what God says about love and marriage and lead the couples to experiencing a love that is true, forgiving, and filled with hope.

Would you like to be a part of God's mighty presence and healing power during our Couples Retreat? You can partner with us by going to <https://saveourstreetsministries.org/give/> or you can give using this month's insert. Your faithful partnership & support helps us share the love & truth of Jesus with so many families throughout the Brazos Valley!



Couples Retreat 2023

DID YOU KNOW?

Over 60 women attended YOU ARE Conference this year! It was a great time of worship, fellowship, prayer, and a fresh Gospel message by incredible speakers! **THANK YOU** to our generous donors, YOU ARE Conference & all the volunteers who made this event possible for our women!



IGNITE THE NEXT GENERATION

The heart of this capital campaign is to create space for more families to experience God's love through SOS. We are excited to announce we have received a \$1.45 million Challenge Grant from the J.E. & L.E. Mabree Foundation!

We need your help to raise \$890,000 before October 2024 & FINISH the campaign!



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar. 1** Night of Prayer & Worship
- Mar. 1-3** Couples Retreat
- Mar. 6** CDL Class Begins
- Mar. 11-15** Spring Break-Office Closed
- Mar. 22-24** Teen Girl's Retreat



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