

Lift The City 2019 Overview

MOST IMPORTANT THING: To serve people, encouraging those with fewer opportunities in their community for fun by throwing block parties filled with food and fun. These parties help change the narrative about followers of Jesus and gain favor with our neighbors. Today you will be representing Christ by showing a community that they are both seen and loved by Jesus.

A joyful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones. Proverbs 17:22 So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. 1 Corinthians 10:21

Why are we here today? Simple. Our aim is to build relationships with people through kindness and generosity and everybody likes a little fun.

OUTREACH RUN DOWN/INSTRUCTIONS:

Here's how it works:

Upon arrival, check in with the on-site SOS Outreach Coach (look for the shirt) to help with setup and get your role assignments.

ROLE DESCRIPTIONS

FOOD SERVICE: (5-10 students)

- 2 grills for hot dogs
- Water
- Trash management

GAMES: (10 students) - 2 students per game

- Cake Walk Place laminated numbers in a circle play music, when the music stops pull a number and the person standing on that number wins a cupcake!
- Unicorn Magic Ring Toss Game
- Kick Croquet Outdoor Game
- Yard Yahtzee
- Giant Tumbling Tower

FACE PAINTING: (6-8 students)

- need a minimum of 4 artists (more may be needed if popular)
- Fun and harmless designs (think butterflies, footballs, Batman, lightning bolts, etc)
- Temporary Tattoos

CANVASSING: (EVERYONE)

- NO all girl groups
- DO NOT go out of site of the group & <u>NEVER</u> go in someone's house or apt.
- If you are approached by someone older than you, politely walk away and tell the leader
- Praying with eyes open
- Starting friendly conversations inviting to our party

View this sheet online at summerofservice.com and click "Resources."

Outreach Central: 513-346-4288



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CRAFTS & Balloon Animals: (5-6 people)

- Help smaller kids with assembly
- Balloon Animal, don't offer too many choices, stick to the suggested guide.

GREETERS: (5-10)

- You are the welcoming team!
- Encourage families and kids to explore, play games, and get some lunch!

OUTREACH TIPS

- NOTE: There will be water games played, dress appropriately.
- Outreach is relational. The event is just the tool used for engagement.
- When you're serving, discover those around you and start a conversation.
- Pray with your eyes open, for the person in front of you and the community.
- Remember, you're the party host, not the party guest. Minimize your candy consumption and requests to have kitten whiskers painted on your face.
- Gathering in large groups sends the wrong message to our guests. We want them to feel welcome, not like an outsider.
- Stay on task with the role assigned. If there is a lull, spend time praying, asking God to cultivate the seeds you've thrown.
- Take the time to clean equipment and party area prior to boarding the bus by 4:00 pm
- Individuals or groups may NOT leave the party site prior to the 4:00 pm departure time unless instructed to do so by SOS staff.
- If you finish up early, call/check in with the onsite SOS project leader and they will have additional work for your group.
- You are here to work and serve. You are NOT here to play or sit around.
- Never take a child off alone or out of the sight of parents/group.
- Never go into a house or a bathroom with a child.
- When in doubt check in: 1) SOS Outreach Coach, 2) Student Leader 3) Outreach Central