



## Reach The City 2019 Overview

**MOST IMPORTANT THING:** To serve children, communicating the truth of God's love in practical ways children learn like songs, activities, and crafts. By partnering with YMCAs our effort becomes the faith element in their summer camp.

**Why are we here today?** Today you will be representing Jesus by teaching children about Him and His unconditional love for each and every one of them. Think of it as a mini VBS. It's important that we are able to demonstrate God's love in both actions and words. Partnering with YMCAs gives us the opportunity to deliver the message in a communication style that works with our audience.

*Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.*

*-Proverbs 22:6 ESV*

*Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.*

*-Mark 10:13-16 ESV*

### OUTREACH RUN DOWN/INSTRUCTIONS:

#### Here's how it works:

Upon arrival, check in with the on-site Outreach Coach to help with setup and get your role assignments. Each SOS student group has been assigned to a station by the Outreach Coach. There are 3 different stations. SOS students will have 2 hrs (11 am - 1 pm) to learn their assigned station-- learn theme, bible story content, set up for VBS and have lunch. **Set up should be complete and students should be ready promptly by 1pm.** The YMCA campers will arrive and begin as one large group before splitting into 3 small groups, rotating through the 3 different stations (every 25 minutes). The time will end with everyone coming together to recap and say goodbyes. Finally, SOS students will pack up and clean up.

#### Large Group

- Worship/Teaching & theme (Bible Story) - 25 minutes

#### Small Groups

- Station #1 - Crafts - 25 minutes
- Station #2 - Games - 25 minutes
- Station # 3 - Snack - 25 minutes

#### Large Group

- Review story and say goodbye - 20 minutes

#### Finish

- Clean up and tear down (Make it cleaner than when you arrived) - 30 minutes
- Dismissal 4 pm

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### OUTREACH TIPS

- Open door with an opportunity to share a message about Jesus means responsibility. Take it seriously.
- Follow the lead of the SOS Outreach Coach and have fun.
- DO NOT go out of sight of the group.
- Bring the energy! Smile, fist bump, high 5, laugh.
- Stay on task with the role assigned. As a component ministry, each group acts independently but are unified in theme and message. It fits together.
- Timing is everything. Fill the allotment of group time--no more, no less.
- Stay on message. Be clear and lean in heavily on the leaders and materials.
- Be flexible. Working with children is fun but be ready to adjust as needed.
- Use common sense when children ask about the restroom, snacks, and the random thing they see across the room.
- ***Individuals or groups may NOT leave the YMCA site prior to the 4 pm departure unless instructed to do so by SOS staff.***
- Be respectful to the kids, YMCA staff, the project leaders, and your team members.
- 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 YMCA Staff or your group.**
- **Never go into a room or the bathroom alone with a child.**
- Be sure to thank YMCA staff before departing.
- When in doubt check in: 1) SOS Outreach Coach, 2) YMCA staff, 3) Outreach Central

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