



LOVE

You will know them by their love

BIG IDEA

Matthew 22:37-40 tells us that LOVE is the greatest commandment. It is the final and most important step in this process. Gather the insights and data you accumulated by COUNTING, WALKING and ASKING and develop a strategy to bring God's LOVE to those you encountered. Go beyond what is expected. Love others in the same extravagant way God has loved you. Do something to serve those in need and He will give you opportunities to share how His love changed your story.

STEPS

1. Develop a plan. Use the [Action Plan](#) worksheet or additional resources online.
2. Do something to serve those in need.
3. Share your story with them.
4. Evaluate the results with your team using [Evaluation Worksheet](#).
5. Share what God did to inspire others.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES ON DOSOMETHINGCHURCH.ORG

[Outreach Blueprint](#) | [Community Event Planner](#) | [Gospel Central](#) | [Salvation ABC](#)

VISION

What is your vision? Who will you serve?

We will start an outreach ministry that will create opportunities for our church to provide foster youth in our county with:

- committed adults to cultivate nurturing friendships
- guidance and support through Christ centered eyes
- consistency, hope and God's love to those that feel hopeless, lost and alone.

ACTIVITIES

What will you do? List key activities.

Apr 1st - information meeting at church

Apr 30th - upgrade the living room in the Group Home

May 6th - Saturday night BBQ at Group Home on 4th Street

Identify potential mentors and coordinate background checks & training with county contact

TEAM

Who will do it? List key people and their roles.

Entire team meet with the outreach pastor to set this up

Ronnie will coordinate and recruit volunteers from men's ministry

Jack will organize the food and supplies and coordinate with Group Home Director

Chris will go work with the county on getting the training and background checks set up

RESOURCES

What resources are required?

painting supplies, couch, pool table, lights

food supplies for BBQ, drinks, plates etc.

transportation

PARTNERS

Who can you partner with?

Local store will donate painting supplies
Ask for donations for other items

Men's ministry will provide

Group Director has access to a truck

MONEY

What is the cost and how will you cover it??

upgrade will cost \$800-2500 depending on how many items will be donated, get local businesses to contribute and raise the rest at church

IMPACT

How will you measure your impact?

total funds given to Group Home upgrade

of volunteers we get involved

of foster youth impacted

of new youth mentors from our church

YOUR IMPACT

What did you accomplish? What are the key facts, numbers and stories?

Group Home upgrade - 13 volunteers completed the project over 2 days, we ended up donating \$4800 worth of new equipment donated by local businesses, 5 foster youth worked joined us in the project

BBQ - 15 men from church attended, 12 foster youth, 4 Group Home staff attended, we had a great time celebrating what we've done together and playing pool on the new table. 6 men signed up afterwards to be trained as youth mentors.

Mentor training - we had 11 attend the first training, 3 have already been matched to a youth for mentoring, the rest are in process

Group Home staff told us that the youth can't wait for the next event and they were especially moved by the story Jack share at the BBQ about how he grew up in foster care and the challenges he faced..

YOUR PLAN

What worked well?

Having youth work with us on the upgrade was great. We spent almost two days together and had the best conversations about life. We should come up with another work project we can involve them in. Maybe something in the community.

BBQ was a total success. We will do it monthly.

Sponsors from local businesss really came through.

What would you do differently?

Painting turned into a small construction project which we were not prepared for. We need someone with construction experience to assess the project better next time.

We need to get more grills in place. What we had wasn't enough for all the people.

Talk to church leadership about letting businesses donate directly to the church so they can get tax write offs.

SHARE THE STORY

How will you share what God has done to inspire others?

Play video on Sunday and interview one of the new youth mentors.

Post pictures from all events.

Write up Jack's story of growing up in foster care and becoming a mentor contact Local paper.

Create a report with video to businesses that donated items or money.