

49 Ways YOU Can Make A Difference at Fortress YDC

1. Be a **mentor** – requires one hour per week (at Fortress) and one group outing per semester
2. **Tutor** kids after school, anytime between 3:15 and 5:45. Or just help with homework.
3. Front **Reception** – answer the doorbell and greet volunteers, visitors and students. M-Th, 3:00—5:30
4. Share your **talent** with our kids and staff—introduce our kids to new things!
5. **Underwrite** one of the large gifts in our Rewards Store! (a meal out with a staff member, a trip to see the Rangers, etc).
6. Operate our Rewards Store on report card day once every six weeks. (4:30-5:30)
7. Conduct a **creative writing** seminar for our younger students
8. **Teach** a “how to apply for a job and prepare for an interview” class for our moms.
9. Organize and **host a field trip**/special event on a Friday afternoon
10. Make copies, collate and **assemble** Info Packets and Volunteer Manuals
11. **Read** aloud to our students
12. **Run errands** for us—van maintenance, Sam’s trips, etc
13. Take care of **janitorial** duties for us
14. **Take candid photos** of kids in Literacy Lab, at the park, etc
15. Lead a **scrapbook** group for our moms on Monday or Wednesday mornings (we have all the supplies!)
16. **Join a committee** (Financial Stewardship, Fundraising, Programs, Volunteer, etc)
17. **Organize a Fortress Counts!** donation drive with your class, small group, etc
18. **Visit with parents** of our students and ask what needs they have.
19. Help **clean up** after an event
20. Help **spruce up** before an event
21. **Sort and mail** the biannual newsletter
22. **Enter** weekly volunteer and development data
23. **Create** a craft project to lead with after-school students
24. Organize a **car wash** and donate the proceeds to Fortress YDC.
25. Hold a **bake sale** on behalf of Fortress.
26. **Give up** eating out for a month and donate the money saved to Fortress.
27. **Encourage** friends and coworkers to get involved with the work happening here.
28. **Send notes** of encouragement to the staff and students who are here each day.
29. Help us **procure items/donations** for Fortress’s annual Dinner and Auction
30. Join our Facebook page and **spread the word** about God’s work in inner-city Fort Worth.
31. **Pray** for our staff.
32. **Pray** for our students.
33. Conduct a **special interest club** of your choice on Tuesdays at Summer JAM.
34. **Host an intern** for the summer.
35. **Volunteer** to coordinate our volunteers!
36. **Provide** snacks for after school.
37. Provide a **meal** or groceries (we serve dinner every night).
38. Organize a monthly **birthday celebration** for FLC students
39. **Invite** friends to come take a tour with you.
40. **Ask God** to show you how He wants you to be involved.
41. Schedule a Prayer Drive and see our neighborhood up close.
42. Be a member of our **Board of Directors**.
43. Work with **preschoolers** in Building Blocks.
44. **Write a blog entry** about your experience at Fortress.
45. Help grade papers and listen to reading in the Literacy Lab.
46. **Buy a gas card for us** when you fill up.
47. Ride along on a **van route** when we pick up kids.
48. **Pray with** our families.
49. What talent do you possess or expertise have you acquired that would benefit the work happening here? **PLUG IT IN!**

