

# YVVC Quarterly

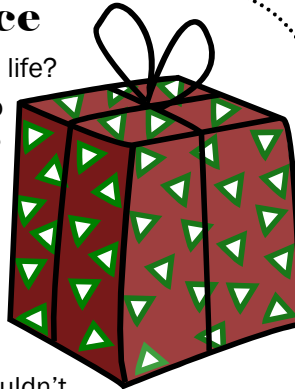
A Publication for Friends and Supporters of Youth Volunteer Corps of Greater Kansas City

## Give the gift of service

Looking for a meaningful gift for the Youth Volunteer in your life? YVCKC is a nonprofit that relies on your donations to exist, so what better gift than the opportunity to make a difference? Give the gift of service and watch the impact all year:

- For \$20, you can sponsor one Youth Volunteer to participate in a Saturday project.
- For \$50, you can sponsor an After School project for up to 10 youth to serve two hours each.
- For \$100, you can sponsor a Youth Volunteer, who wouldn't otherwise have the chance to serve his or her community, to participate in the In School program the entire school year.

You can donate by making a check out to YVCKC and sending it to 4600 W. 51st Street, Suite 300, Shawnee Mission, KS 66205 or paying online with our PayPal (go to [www.yvckc.org](http://www.yvckc.org) and [click on Donate](#)). Please specify that your donation is a gift in honor of someone, and we will create a certificate for your gift.



Winter 2011

**YOUTH VOLUNTEER CORPS**  **GREATER KANSAS CITY**

## Save the Date: Our Stories of Service 2012

Mark your calendars for the second annual Our Stories of Service!

**Date:** February 25, 2012  
**Location:** Founder's Hall at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral (in downtown Kansas City, MO)

Tickets will be available for this dinner and fundraiser early next year. We hope you can join us in celebrating the work of our outstanding Youth Volunteers!

## One Homeless Night gives youth new perspective



Armed with only a sleeping bag and the clothes on their backs, 18 Youth Volunteers spent a cold November night sleeping outside in cardboard boxes to raise awareness for youth homelessness in Kansas City.

YVCKC Team Leaders designed a simulation for the volunteers to learn first-hand what homeless people deal with on a daily basis, including visiting a soup kitchen, applying for a temporary job, finding housing, visiting a free health clinic, handling legal issues, struggling to break a drug addiction, and more.

"This was a great experience," says Stephen, 17. "It teaches us what it's like to be homeless and also how we can help."



## Did you know...

*Martin Luther King Day is a national day of service. Volunteer with YVCKC this Jan. 16 at a variety of projects. Visit [www.yvckc.org](http://www.yvckc.org) for details.*

## YVC at a Glance - Winter 2011

	Number of Youth Volunteers	Number of Projects	Number of Agencies Served	Number of Youth Volunteer Hours
Total 2010-2011	938	407	77	16,582
2010-2011 school year to date (Aug.-Dec.)	350	142	42	2,379
<b>Current School Year 2011-2012 (to date)</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>2,129</b>

## Thank you for your 2011 contributions!

### Individual Donations

Kevin and Sherry Bridges	Catrina Osei
Robert and Julie Carmichael	Bill and Tracy Parsons
Tina and Ronan Collins	Scott and Anne Rauth
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American Century	Kansas AmeriCorps
Camps for Kids	Kirk Foundation
Dunn Family Foundation	R.A.Long Foundation
Greater Kansas City LISC	Swiss Re
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Please contact the YVC office at 913-432-9822 x311 if we have inadvertently left your name off this donation list.

### Saturday Projects October to December

Agricultural Hall of Fame	Mattie Rhodes Art Center
Cross-Lines Food Pantry	Myriad House
Cross-Lines Thrift Shop	Parkville Nature Sanctuary
Cultivate Kansas City	Rosedale Development Association
Evergreen Living Innovations	Shawnee Town
Friendship Inn	Synergy Services
Harvesters	TurnStyles (Olathe)
Hope Faith Ministries	TurnStyles (Overland Park)
Hope House	Sanctuary of Hope
Jewish Vocational Services	Sunflower House
Kansas City Community Kitchen	Village Shalom
Lakeview Village	YMCA Challengers
Martha Lafite Nature Sanctuary	



Youth Volunteers at the Pet Connection After School Project enjoyed playing with a new litter of puppies this fall. Looking to volunteer? We have opened up the most popular After School Projects for new volunteers to sign up this month. Email [yvc\\_kc@yvca.org](mailto:yvc_kc@yvca.org) to sign up for a project.

## Thomas Plackemeier named KC's Youth Philanthropist of the Year



Congratulations to Thomas Plackemeier, a long-time YVCKC volunteer, who was recently given the Youth Spirit of Philanthropy award by the Mid-America Chapter of the

Association of Fundraising Professionals. Thomas, 17, has been volunteering with YVCKC for five years and has served 800 volunteer hours on YVCKC projects. He was featured on Fox 4's weekly segment Reaching 4 Excellence in November in honor of the award. Thanks for all your hard work, Thomas!