## 9/11 DAY OF SERVICE IMPACT in GILBERT

- 56 people donated blood for Vitalant
- 150 people collected and assembled food boxes for Mission Kitchen
- 150 people collected home essentials kits for refugees for Gathering Humanity
- A collection of children's toys and welcome banners for refugees made for Gathering Humanity
- 80 plus people donated to a Community Clothing Giveaway where more than 600 people came. Clothes Cabin and Descret Industries also benefited from the drive.
- 125 people donated cereal to A New Leaf
- 85 sunshine bags were made for cancer patients through Brightly Living
- 50 bracelets were made for cancer patients through Brightly Living
- 60 volunteers washed cars with donations going to Feed My Starving Children
- 250 hours were spent by volunteers packing bags for the homeless distributed through Cultivate Goodness, Hope and Blessings, and St. Vincent De Paul
- 75 volunteers spent more than 300 hours making 50 quilts for AZ Blankets 4 Kids
- A gathering of women came together to make 200 sack lunches for Aris Foundation
- 200 cookies were made and decorated for 9 different assisted living facilities in Gilbert.
- 50 purses were collected for new refugees with Gathering Humanity
- 35 bedding kits were collected for refugees with Gathering Humanity
- A group of women made welcome signs for refugee with Gathering Humanity
- A donation and assembly of welcome baskets were made for moms getting back on their feet at House of Refuge
- A large clothing drive was provided for the community with many clothes also going to Purple Heart Desert Thrift Store
- More than 50 people made 200 birthday cards for foster kids with Project Smile
- 50 people made 200 lunch bags for cancer patients distributed through Joy Bus Diner
- 40 people gathered to make emotion cards and welcome signs for refugees with Gathering Humanity
- 864 volunteers worked to collect and organize a massive clothing drive. More than 1000 community members came to shop with beneficiaries also coming from La Mesa ministries, Navajo Nation schools, Iglesia Cristiana El Buen Pastor, and Casa de Amor
- More than 250 people gathered to make bags of sunshine for Brightly Living
- 250 young adults made hygiene bags for Midwest Food Bank
- A large group of youth gathered to wrap gifts for seniors at Eternal Springs
- 250 youth gathered to write letters to active military through Operation Gratitude as well as make uplifting bookmarks for Valley of the Sun United Way
- 806 volunteers gathered, collected, and organized donations for La Mesa Ministries homeless outreach. They donated 9304 hygiene items, 3469 articles of clothing, 935 street supplies (backpacks, sleeping bags, etc...), 10,229 food truck supplies, 2731 hydration items, 32,228 paper goods, and 5112 misc items.

- More than 200 volunteers helped to facilitate a heat relief respite center for the homeless working with the Heat Relief Network, Azcend, Salvation Army, and The Town of Gilbert
- A local elementary school collected more than 3500 books for Gathering Humanity. They also sharpened 1500 pencils and bundled them in groups of five pencils for student backpacks.
   Students colored cards and wrote a message inside welcoming the refugee child to Arizona, hoping they enjoyed their books.
- A group of 100 neighborhood friends gathered at their local clubhouse to tie quilts and loom large blankets for Gathering Humanity. They also made and framed welcome signs for refugee apartments
- A gathering of neighbors collected children's books and men's jeans for A New Leaf
- The same gathering of neighbors also made bracelets for Brightly Living as well as posters and cards delivered to First Responders at our local fare and police stations.
- 65 retired flags were collected to be taken to the American Legion
- More than 500 pair of shoes were collected for Clothes Cabin
- 50 volunteers made 1360 emergency food bags for United Food Bank
- 75 volunteers packaged 3000 pounds of bulk soap and assembled 300 Hygiene Kits and labeled
  1,000+ bags for Midwest Food Bank
- 52 volunteers made 92 Large laundry baskets and 38 mini baskets for Gilbert Heritage Family Center
- 17 Seniors were served with light housework and yardwork help in the Town of Gilbert through Weekly Collective
- A blood drive was hosted The American Red Cross
- A service scavenger hunt was held assembling goody bags for cancer patients through Cultivate Goodness
- A group of youth served at Feed my Starving Children making 40,176 meals
- A group of 80 youth attended an event supporting hip Hop Homies and made paracord bracelets for Operation Gratitude
- Youth assembled to bake and deliver goodies to widows and neighbors
- 100 boxes of cereal was collected by 40 youth for Mission Kitchen and party supplies collected for A New Leaf
- A large group of youth gathered to make bracelets for chemo patients for Brightly Living and cheerful cards for cancer patients
- A group youth gathered and collected 75 lbs of clothes for foster kids at Helen's Hope Chest.
- A group of youth gathered to make 100 candy and popcorn bags for first responders through Cultivate Goodness and 100 freezer meals for A New Leaf

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