

# stm hope helping other people everyday

Project HOPE is proud to serve several organizations, foundations and communities around the Portland area by dedicating the time, talent and treasure of our students and their families. All partnerships have been identified by the respective homeroom teachers -- rooted in their own passions and designed to support the class curriculum by giving students hands-on opportunities.

## **k** KINDERGARTEN

### **Nursing Home Visits**

The kindergarten class will visit with the community at Raleigh Hills Assisted Living and share their youthful spirit with crafts, song performances, notes and cards.

[www.rhliving.com](http://www.rhliving.com)

## **1** FIRST GRADE

### **Children's Book Bank**

The Children's Book Bank envisions a society in which all children, regardless of means, are surrounded by and experience books during their early years of development. The class will source, repair and donate books.

[www.childrensbookbank.org](http://www.childrensbookbank.org)

## **2** SECOND GRADE

### **SOLVE Green Team**

SOLVE is a non-profit organization that brings together volunteers to improve the environment and to build a legacy of stewardship. SOLVE's Green Team is a yearlong service-learning program engaging the class in high priority stream and wetland enhancement projects.

[www.solveoregon.org](http://www.solveoregon.org)

## **3** THIRD GRADE

### **Northwest Children's Outreach**

Northwest Children's outreach is a faith-based, non-profit organization dedicated to helping families in the Portland area and surrounding communities. They help to fill the need of these families providing clothing, infant care products, diapers, formula and many of the other necessities parents need for their children. [www.northwestchildrensoutreach.org](http://www.northwestchildrensoutreach.org)

## **4** FOURTH GRADE

### **Catholic Charities of Oregon and the Women in Transition Housing Program**

The Catholic Charities Housing Transition Program's purpose is to work closely with many of the organizations in the Portland area that assist the homeless community to provide permanent housing to homeless women and offer the support services they need to remain in housing. The class will work with a different class each month in providing 30 sack lunches one Wednesday: decorated bags, bible passages, nutritional lunch. [www.catholiccharitiesoregon.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesoregon.org)

## **5** FIFTH GRADE

### **Project Backpack**

Project Backpack provides weekend food to families in need at Raleigh Park Elementary School by sending the student home with a backpack of food on Fridays. The class will assist in the project with a food drive, stocking food at their food closet, packing the food bags, and delivering the backpacks on a Friday to Raleigh Park School.

## **6** SIXTH GRADE

### **The Providence Center for Medically Fragile Children's**

The 6th grade class will be making regular, monthly visits to the Providence Center for Medically Fragile Children. They will be interacting directly with the children in various capacities. Parent training is required for chaperoning on these particular service trips -- please see training dates on the STM Service calendar. The Providence Center for Medically Fragile Children is the only pediatric skilled nursing facility in the Pacific Northwest providing 24-hour long-term, short-term, respite and end-of-life care to medically fragile children and young people ranging in age from infancy to 21 years. [www.providence.org/childcenter](http://www.providence.org/childcenter)

## **7** SEVENTH GRADE

### **Eastside Learning Garden at the Oregon Food Bank**

The students work side by side to grow and harvest nutritious produce, wash vegetables, enjoy physical activity, increase gardening skills and support the Oregon Food Bank! The 7th grade call will be going in the Fall to harvest and Spring to plant (dates TBD) the Eastside Learning Garden.

[www.oregonfoodbank.org](http://www.oregonfoodbank.org)

## **8** EIGHTH GRADE

### **Blanchet House**

The 8th grade students will each be serving lunch at Blanchet House multiple times during this school year. Blanchet House is a Portland based facility that serves between 29,000 and 33,000 meals each month. In 2013 alone, 341,557 meals were served to the hungry and homeless of Portland, making BHH one of the largest feeding sites in the State of Oregon. It has been estimated that since its inception, Blanchet has served over 15,000,000 meals to those in need. Many of those volunteers were middle and high school students, learning at an early age the importance of service to others.

[www.blanchethouse.org](http://www.blanchethouse.org)

### **Medical Teams International REAL.LIFE.Exhibit.**

The 8th grade will be visiting the Medical Teams International REAL.LIFE.Exhibit in Tigard at the end of January (date TBD). The Exhibit consists of 6 rooms that are real-life representations of places where the volunteers of Medical Teams International serve. The different areas depict life:

- After a tsunami destroyed hundreds of villages in Indonesia and 10 other countries.
- In a Ugandan camp where people fled the brutal Lord's Resistance Army.
- In a Haitian earthquake site and a tent camp where homeless Haitians are living.
- In a village in Mozambique, Africa, where HIV and AIDS have claimed many lives.
- In a garbage dump in Mexico City.
- In a burn unit in a hospital in Moldova, a former Soviet republic.

[www.medicalteams.org](http://www.medicalteams.org)



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