

# Off-Site Volunteer Projects For all ages!

Volunteers help make this house a home for the guests who stay at Family House, and in many ways!

If you are limited in your time or cannot come to Family House to volunteer in person, community members are encouraged to participate in some of our creative off-site volunteer opportunities. Please arrange any drop-offs ahead of time and know that your group is responsible for providing all materials.

All questions can be sent to Georgie Clemens at georgie@secufamilyhouse.org

# Organize a Fundraiser

Whether it is a lemonade stand, bake sale, garage sale or Facebook fund-raiser – a community fundraiser not only brings in funding to support our guests, but also spreads the word about Family House. With substantial medical bills and travel costs, a \$54 nightly room fee can be difficult for some families to manage. Your group's fundraiser will help underwrite the cost of their stay, enabling us to serve all families, regardless of their financial situation.

### Host a Wish List Drive

It takes a lot of supplies to keep our 75-room house filled with all the necessary items to run the house. Anything you use at your home we use at ours. **Help us stock our home** with toiletries, plastic utensils paper products, and food items used daily. **Travel size toiletries are very much in need as well.** 

### Stock the Freezer

Make family-sized soups or <u>casseroles</u> that can be stored in the community freezer for Family House guests to cook/reheat on nights when there is not a meal scheduled. These are very much appreciated by all our guests.

### Cookies & Cards

Bake homemade desserts and decorate heartwarming greeting cards for our guests. There is nothing like coming back to Family House and seeing a platter of yummy desserts after a long day at the hospital. A note expressing kindness and compassion is greatly appreciated as well.

## Goodie Bags

Our guests are usually on the go whether to the hospital or out in the community to gather supplies for their long stay. Volunteers are invited to put together fun treats (such as lotions, puzzle books, personal care items, or other loving items) and assemble in care bags to give to guests at check-in. Volunteers can also assemble grab and go bags which include items like a water bottle, snack or piece of fruit. This enables our guests to avoid buying food items at the hospital which can be pricey.

# **Gardening and Lawn Work**

Just like your house, Family House needs a few brave volunteers to help with our on-site garden, lawn projects and plants. This provides a peaceful place for our guests to wander, heal and enjoy.