

Year of Service

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Broad Street Afterschool Program &
Star House



Star House:

A place for homeless youth ages 16-25 to receive food, clothing and support from Star House volunteers.

Project: At Star House, there are various service opportunities, including interacting with the youth, being in charge of the art room, giving a presentation or working in the warehouse. I chose to work in the warehouse. I sorted all of the donations, restocked the pantries and made sure that everything was organized.

Takeaways: I learned that homelessness for youth is a large issue in the Columbus area. From working in the warehouse, I gained a better understanding of what items and clothing articles are most needed.



Broad Street Afterschool Program:

Broad Street Afterschool Program is run by the Broad Street Presbyterian Church. Children from Kindergarten through 8th grade are accepted into the program. They are provided with a snack and a dinner Monday through Thursday

Project: The main goal of my service was to interact with the kids, teach them important lessons on exercise, eating healthy and helping them with their homework.

Takeaways: The main takeaway I got from this service experience was experiencing the unjust public education system in the United States. Many of these children struggled with reading, math, grammar etc. The schools seemed to be failing in providing children with the extra educational support that they need. I never experienced this in my public school which was well funded and had adequate teachers and mentors. I enjoyed getting to help inner city kids and getting to be a mentor to many of them

