



A group of young men from YWAM-Oakhaven are training to become missionaries. They're starting in their own backyard.

*(Top Left) Rocky clears debris, Highland Games style.
(Top Right) The group visits Carol and prays with her.
(L-R) Braydon, Rocky, Carol, Luis, and Riley.*

We met Rocky, Braydon, and Riley earlier this year. They are part of a 12-week missionary training program located here in Siloam Springs. Their mornings are often spent in Bible study and learning; but afternoons are more of a hands-on experience. What a gift it has been to share Thursday afternoons with them, serving Kind at Heart friends together!

"They've been awesome guys to work with," says Luis Carrion, Kind at Heart staff member. "They all have great attitudes and always show up ready to get to work."

In a few short weeks, these young men have moved a wheelchair ramp to a new location. They've delivered

a hospital bed to someone in need. And they've completed a crazy amount of yard work that might have otherwise gone untouched.

For many, the term "missionary" brings to mind an individual who moves overseas and learns a new language in order to tell others about Jesus. But these young men are BEING Jesus to local seniors right here and now. No change of address required.

"Every Christian is a missionary to the extent that he or she bears witness to God's love. Be missionaries of God's tenderness!"
(Pope Francis)

Thank you, friends from YWAM-Oakhaven, for showing us that to "go into all the world," sometimes you just have to "bear witness of God's love" right where you are.

Ways Your Group Can SERVE TOGETHER



GET DIRTY

Sign up to help in Leola's Garden on a Saturday morning or make a senior's home a little sweeter by providing hands-on help with yard work and/or ramp staining.



ENCOURAGE

Create homemade cards for homebound seniors and nursing home residents OR assist with deliveries of fresh produce, flowers, and/or gifts during seasonal campaigns.



RAISE FUNDS

Recruit others to give financially and/or help supply the ministry with crucial resources, i.e., donation drive, benefit garage sale, Facebook fundraiser, etc.



BUILD A RAMP

Build a ramp from scratch using a provided blueprint OR install decking boards on Day Two (after frame has been built).



Introducing KARA

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST TEAM MEMBER AND POINT PERSON FOR VOLUNTEER GROUPS AND TEAMS.

Having started as a Kind at Heart "Encourager," Kara Hager has first-hand knowledge of the volunteer experience and is positioned to make your group experience a great one!

"Nothing builds camaraderie like serving others as a team," shares Kara. "Volunteering as a group is an easy and fun way to connect with each other."

The benefits don't end there! Knowing that your group played a role in making someone's life better in just a few short hours is a powerful thing! Your time can make a world of difference for a local senior.

As the number and needs of individuals aged 65+ continues to grow, so must the community's response to meeting those needs. Kind at Heart is positioned and ready to act. Are you?

The "Perfect" VOLUNTEER GROUP

Are you looking for an opportunity for your group to volunteer in the community? If so, how would you define your group?



GROUP TYPE & SIZE

With advanced notice, we are able to accommodate both large and small groups. Work teams, youth groups, and civic groups/clubs of all sizes have served the needs of local seniors as Kind at Heart volunteers.



GROUP COMPOSITION

Men. Women. Adult. Youth. Everyone has something to bring to the volunteer experience. Let's craft the right one for you.



SKILL LEVEL

Both semi-skilled and non-skilled teams are needed to accomplish the mission. Not everyone can build a ramp; we get that. Doing yard work, staining a ramp, or helping in Leola's Garden are just a few of the alternatives you might consider.



COMMITMENT LEVEL

Some groups are looking for a "one-and-done" service opportunity. Others love being involved on a regular basis. And we love and need both types. Let's line up the experience that fits your needs!



TO SCHEDULE A GROUP VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:
Contact Kara at (479) 373-6281 or by email at khager@kindatheart.org.



Small Yet Mighty

Volunteers from Nicodemus Church have been volunteering quarterly since early 2023; and they have no intentions of slowing down.

At first glance, you wouldn't know these men are from a smaller congregation on the outskirts of Siloam Springs. Because they are getting **BIG THINGS DONE!** And while many groups are typically "one and done" over the course of a year, these men continue to give up their Saturday morning sleep-ins to help others.

With several ramps under their belt, they've played a vital part in making life better (and safer) for their senior neighbors. We are so thankful for the impact they're making!