

FAQ

Got Questions? We Have Answers!



What is Church in the City?

One of MDPC's Advantage Goals is to serve together in the city one Sunday a year. Outreach is an important part of our life as a church family, and we want to serve our city well for Christ. This will be a day for us to worship God and to serve those whom Christ has called us to serve.

What are the different projects for 2025?

Serve at MDPC:

- Make sandwiches for **Kids' Meals**
- Create and assemble items to support our local ministry partners (aka **Partner Projects**)

Serve Offsite:

- Sort, organize, and pack meals at the **Houston Food Bank** (535 Portwall St, 77029)
- Work to beautify indoor and outdoor areas for women and children and interact with clients at **Santa Maria Hostel** (2605 Parker Rd, 77093) and **Mission of Yahweh** (10247 Algiers Rd, 77041)
- Paint, landscape, and make minor repairs to support children and families at **SpringSpirit's** two locations (8526 Pittner Rd or 3601 Campbell Rd, 77080; volunteers will each be assigned to one location)
- Assemble on Saturday and, on Sunday, distribute hygiene backpacks to unhoused Houstonians at **Magnificat House** (2009 Congress St, 77002)

Serve at Home:

- Write notes of encouragement to global mission partners
- Bag beans and rice
- Bag dog and cat treats
- Socks of Love

Registration is required (except for home projects). Visit citc.mdpc.org for details and links to register.

What is the schedule for the weekend?

Saturday, Feb 22:

- 10am-Noon Kids' Meals at MDPC
- 11am-12:30pm Assemble kits at MDPC to distribute at Magnificat House on Sunday

Sunday, Feb 23:

- 8:30-10am Kids' Meals at MDPC, Shift 1
- 7:30-9:30am Magnificat House Loaves & Fishes
- 9am-Noon Partner Projects at MDPC (no shifts)
Houston Food Bank
Mission of Yahweh
Santa Maria Hostel
SpringSpirit
- 10:30-Noon Kids' Meals at MDPC, Shift 2

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What are the age limitations?

Each project has age guidelines in order to insure that projects are meaningful for everyone participating. Kids' Meals bag decorating in the Summit Room is appropriate for ages 2+ if your child is excited about participating. Children 4+ should register for age-appropriate projects (see project guidelines at citc.mdpc.org).

Free childcare:

- Saturday, 9:45am-1pm • 3 months-10 years old • By reservation only (citc.mdpc.org)
- Sunday, 8:00am-1pm • 3 months-3 years old • No reservation required

Do I need to wear a Church in the City T-Shirt?

You don't have to, but we would love for you to wear a CITC shirt. The 2025 design is a carry over from 2024. Feel free to wear a previous shirt.

We will have a limited number of shirts available for purchase in the Outreach offices (M-F, Feb 3-14), the Sanctuary Lobby (Sundays in Feb), and the Front Office (Feb 18-21). \$10 each. Cash (exact change, please), check, or QR code.

Can I help by donating inventory?

Beginning Sun, Feb 2: **Toilet paper** (any size package), **NEW men's large crew socks**, and **feminine hygiene products**

Beginning Sun, Feb 16: **Sandwich loaves of white or wheat bread** for Kids' Meals (please no Texas toast-style or specialty/fancy bread)

Drop-off locations: Parlor Hallway, Front Office, Grand Staircase, CLC Lobby

Thank you!

What else do I need to bring?

Please try not to bring purses and other items to project sites as safe storage is limited. Leave as much as you can at home.

What about the offering for that Sunday?

We will have offering boxes in the Parlor hallway and CLC lobby, or you can give online at give.mdpc.org.

Is there a cost?

There is no registration fee for CITC.

What about transportation to off-site locations?

Participants provide their own transportation to all locations. We encourage carpooling from home or from MDPC!

Will lunch or breakfast be provided?

No, we will not provide breakfast or lunch, but snacks and drinks will be available in the Amphitheater hallway and on location at off-campus projects.

What if I have more questions?

Please contact Julie LaRue at jlarae@mdpc.org or Charlotte Adams at cadams@mdpc.org.

