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Reflection of Volunteer Work

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Volunteer Reflection

It's hard to document the Volunteer Hours I've completed, because in many situations I didn't realize I was volunteering. My dad, a Social Worker and Preacher, has always been one to do yard work for the sick and sing at retirement homes. When I became a teen, my family and I began volunteering for the Gospel Mission and giving out breakfast burritos in cities like Aberdeen, Tacoma, Shelton and our hometown of Olympia. During my summers I volunteered at Delano Bay Christian Camp as a Camp Counselor, and went on mission trips to Portland and Aberdeen to help the Homeless. As an adult I've found time to volunteer my time to things that match my skill set, working as An Apartment Maintenance Tech on the side; let me volunteer to help with trash pick up and resident projects outside of my job. Finding a place to help has been something my parents have consistently taught me, and as a now Husband and father I try and teach those lessons to my son. Lessons like taking care of the environment; a group was started by my friend Eve, where we get together in parks to pick up trash. This project has led to us picking trash at countless parks and helping to clean up neighborhoods. As I continue my journey to become a teacher, I will find time to help my community as best as I can see. One way is through the Gospel Mission and assisting with my church's baby bank.