

A Letter to Our Neighbors

Friends of North Richmond Fall at Friends of North Richmond

*We are so thankful to every
volunteer and donor for
their willingness to serve
others during this time of
need.*



Through our Adult Education Classes our students are being empowered to make changes in their lives!

They are learning to work on computers, and earn higher jobs, because they have the computer skills. Students are

learning how to fill out job applications, gain interview skills, and learn what their talents are, so they can find a job that fit their skills and passions. They are learning English for the first time so they can find work and communicate with their children's teachers. Our students are studying and earning their GED, opening doors for job opportunities to succeed!

One such student is Zee. Brought to America for an arranged marriage, Zee's husband divorced her, leaving her to her own devices to survive. Having not learned English in her home country, she was unable to communicate when she found her way to the Women's Shelter and was frightened what would become of her. The Women's Shelter quickly connected Zee with the ESL class at Friends of North

Important Dates:

October 27th

Recovery Work Day

November 1st

Community Bible Study

November 10th

Recovery Work Day

November 15

Attack Poverty Gala

November 17

Riveredge Fall Fun and Fellowship

November 22nd – 26th

LCISD No School

November 23rd - 24th

Thanksgiving Break – FNR Office will be closed

November 28th

#Giving Tuesday

December 1

Recovery Work Day

December 15

Christmas Market

Dec. 25th – Jan. 8th

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Richmond, and within a month, she was comfortable enough in her English skills that she started taking our Computer class. Since the new year, Zee has moved out of the Women's Shelter into her own apartment, and earned a new job. She is thriving. Recognizing her computer skills and understanding of English, Zee's bosses are giving her more and more responsibility. Trusting her to create menu templates and make important phone calls. Zee is always wanting to grow her skills and to this day continues to attend classes at Friends of North Richmond!

If you are interested in attending one of our adult education classes, please email Lucinda @ Lucinda@AttackPoverty.org.

When Programs Combine



In December 2017, a couple of our You Can Academy students spoke up about their living conditions since Hurricane Harvey hit. The home was accessed for the damages, and the Taylor family was moved out quickly due to the amount of black mold through the home. With the help of local churches,

the Taylors were able to stay in a better living situation while the house was being rebuilt. It has been a long journey for the Taylor family (for more details see Vol. 10) with living a total of 8 months away from home. It was awe-inspiring to see how so many people showed up, and cared by swinging hammers, installing A/C Unit and provided donations. Calvary Episcopal Church, and workers with Habitat for Humanity worked tirelessly, and we are happy to announce that this August the Taylors moved back home. With a safe place to lay their heads at night, Jazzlyn and Freddy are back in You Can Academy and thriving!

Email Sarah Beth Baca for
more details on

Volunteering with North
Richmond:

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Stay Up To Date On Opportunities



*Get weekly updates and opportunities text to your
phone by
Texting @fnrvol to 81010*

Saturday Recovery Work Days: Do you love to do home repair projects or want to help demo a home? Looking for a way to give back on the weekend? Friends of North Richmond does one to two work days a month! Please log into the link below for the dates and times. We look forward to working with each one of you!
<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/5080A4BADA723A2FA7-recovery>

Saturday Morning Computer Teacher: We need a Saturday morning Computer teacher. It would be a 6 week commitment starting in November to help the community increase their computer skills. If you do not have a curriculum don't let that stop you! We can provide everything for you to teach our wonderful community with.