



Family Volunteering at Hope Supply Co.

Hope Supply Co is the ideal family volunteering opportunity. Kids of all ages are welcome. You can sign up to volunteer at <http://hopesupplyco.org/volunteer-signup> to volunteer an hour or more. For safety reason, our ability to accommodate walk-ins is limited. When you sign-up on line, please be sure to tell us the age in the comments section. Everyone wants the experience to be positive.

Please keep these tips in mind:

You and your kids may be in a warehouse without air conditioning. Dressing with the Texas heat in mind is a must. Please wear closed-toe shoes.

Kids 9 & Under

Plan to work alongside your children to guide and encourage them (plus keep an eye on them). That way you can share observations and later talk about the experience.

Kids 10 to 14

Sorting, counting, and labeling will come naturally for this age group. You don't necessarily have to work side by side plus it gives your child a chance to demonstrate more responsibility. Your supervisory role should enhance your child's experience and strengthen their independence.

Kids 15 & Older

This age group may be assigned sorting, counting, and labeling but there are opportunities where they can be creative. They also may be assigned front office duties like greeting the incoming volunteers, making sure they are signed in, and knowing where to wait for a staff member.

Opportunities abound to volunteer for older kids. Your child may be required to perform community service as part of their high school curriculum. Hope Supply Co. (HSC) has a vibrant Student Board. The HSC Student Board will plan and execute creative activities to raise awareness of the homeless children in north Texas. They work as ambassadors as they meet and greet Saturday volunteers.

Celebrate when you have completed your day of volunteering. Ask your kids to share what they learned about the kids they are helping. Don't forget to heap lots and lots of praise for a job well done. Please share your stories on www.facebook.com using #HopeSupplyCo.

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