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Christian Health Care Center Provides Teens with Many Opportunities During Summer Junior Volunteer Program

Christian Health Care Center (CHCC) has numerous volunteers who donate their time to help patients on a daily basis. In addition to regular yearly volunteers, this summer CHCC has more than 40 registered junior volunteers ages 13 to 17. The junior-volunteer program has been around for more than 20 years and each year, more and more youth are eager to sign up to volunteer at CHCC. Dot Faasse, Volunteer Coordinator at CHCC, commented that the junior-volunteer program is so great because teens can't work at a young age; therefore, they are able to use their time doing community service which they can also receive school credit or recognition at their churches. The program is such a success that many junior volunteers look to return for the following summer.

Teens are able to volunteer in all different areas throughout CHCC, including the Child Day Care Center. Volunteers help during activities such as art and music classes, as well as at special events. For example, junior volunteers Dan Youssef, Allie Steiginga, Ryan Lane, and Cheyeen Quijano all help Heritage Manor residents with art projects. These volunteers each helped residents make a colorful tulip vase out of clay.

In addition to volunteers helping patients with art projects, other volunteers helped out at

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CHCC's annual Dog Show. These volunteers ushered residents to the show and enjoyed spending time watching the dogs. The junior-volunteer program continues to be a success and is a great way to incorporate middle school and high school students in the CHCC community.

For more information about the Junior Volunteer program, contact Dot Faasse at (201) 848-5797.

CHCC provides a broad continuum of high-quality, compassionate care, offering superior mental-health, elder-care, residential living and rehabilitation services. As a non-profit organization, we deliver care to our community based upon the Christian principles on which we were founded more than a century ago.

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Junior volunteer Dan Youssef with Heritage Manor Nursing Home resident Henrietta VanBeuzekom.