

## **Project Summary:**

The Clemence Youth Foundation promotes activities where members learn to integrate themselves into the community and become leaders through volunteer work. Following this mission, youth members pay monthly visits to the Houston Food Bank, which is an organization that provides balanced meals to households that struggle with access to nutritious food. The Houston Food Bank fights the income gap by building long-term solutions to maintain a higher quality of life for underserved families. CYF members are dedicated to furthering this goal and make an impact on the local population.



The foundation's inaugural volunteer shift on July 27th, 2024 marked the beginning of a fruitful partnership with the Food Bank. An average of 20 enthusiastic volunteers participate during each shift, including both students and their parents. They have contributed to a variety of tasks, including sanitizing, packaging, and sorting food and donations. During each monthly event, CYF members work together with other Houstonian volunteers to facilitate the distribution of around 11,000 meals for families in need, amounting to over 90,000 meals since the beginning of the project. This truly highlights the impact that they are able to make.



The organization's commitment to fostering a sense of responsibility for the community has inspired its members to work tirelessly, often exceeding expectations, to ensure the success of each volunteer event. Altogether, this paints an inspirational story of how dedicated members come together with the objective of helping fellow citizens.

Through these experiences, CYF volunteers have not only made a tangible impact, but have also developed valuable life skills such as collaboration, perseverance, and empathy. By dedicating their time to volunteer work, CYF is empowering young people to become more active and compassionate individuals as a whole.