

Giving Back: Developing Servant Leadership

A project with People Serving People

"Servant-leadership is more than a concept, it is a fact. Any great leader, by which I also mean an ethical leader of any group, will see herself or himself as a servant of that group and will act accordingly." ~ M. Scott Peck

Why is this Issue Important?

- Homelessness is a continuing problem in the Twin Cities.
- Without the basic necessity of shelter, families are unable to cope with many of life's vicissitudes.
- Many people overlook the homeless and have misconceptions about why people are homeless.

How PSP serves the community

- Mission Statement: "To serve homeless children and their families and provide new opportunities for healthy, stable family life.
- Provide Education programs for children and adults
- Employment assistance and workforce development including workplace training

"There is no more noble occupation in the world than to assist another human being to help someone succeed." ~ Alan Loy McGinnis

Why we chose PSP

- One time commitment had an impact
 - We were able to donate time to make a difference
 - PSP directly helps those who are homeless
 - Commitment to serving families- "Where families come first"
- "We are here to add what we can to, not get what we can from life." ~ Sir William Osler

Group reflection on our experience.

- Positive feedback from residents
- Able to accomplish what would have taken one person 16 hours
- Contributed to the stability of another's life.
- FUN!



"Leadership should be born out of the understanding of the needs of those who would be affected by it." ~ Marian Anderson