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To help you develop your school's outreach opportunities, here is a sample list of some of the ways our students serve our city.

Youth Mentorship

- *Foster Care:* BSSM students mentor and teach life skills to individuals (ages 18-21) who are preparing to leave the foster care system.
- *Accelerate Youth Leadership Program:* At a local YMCA and high school, BSSM students teach high school students character, life skills, and leadership principles.
- *Heritage Hub:* At a local coffee shop, BSSM students mentor middle school and high school students. Students support their education as well as their emotional and physical wellbeing by participating in games, tutoring, and other activities.

Community Outreach

- *Adopt-a-Block Program:* Teams of BSSM students adopt regions within a city, specifically neighborhoods. Students build relationships within these communities by hosting block parties.
- *Benevolence Department:* BSSM students serve Bethel's Benevolence Department by answering phones and interacting with individuals in need.
- *Drug Rehab:* BSSM students teach and minister to groups of individuals in recovery.
- *Sunday Morning Breakfast:* BSSM students help the Bethel Church team make and serve breakfast for the homeless and low-income individuals in our city.
- *Abundant Life Discipleship Class:* At Sunday morning breakfast, BSSM students serve as table hosts for this class, helping equip new believers.

Ministry to Men

- *Manter House Future Story:* BSSM students partner with a program in a neighboring city to facilitate an adult mentorship program that teaches men life skills and how to move beyond a negative past.
- *Men's Rehab:* BSSM students teach and minister to individuals in recovery.

Ministry to Women

- *Beautiful You:* BSSM students provide women with low self-esteem and income makeovers, haircuts, and a closet from which to pick clothes. The women also receive prophetic words, have their self-portraits drawn and their photos taken.
- *Local Women's Shelter:* BSSM students serve on a reception team, while others go through a full certification process to become advocates for women.

Evangelism

- *Friday Night Strikes:* BSSM students go on treasure hunts throughout the city, including high school football games, malls, and the streets of downtown.
- *Bar Ministry:* BSSM students go and minister to individuals at local bars.
- *Shasta College Evangelism:* In partnership with an existing on-campus ministry, BSSM students share the Gospel on the campus of this community college.
- *Out of Town Ministry:* BSSM students take overnight trips to surrounding cities (e.g. Chico, San Francisco, Reno) to partner with local churches and do street ministry.

Healing

- *Healing and Pastoral Care:* BSSM students visit homes of invalids to encourage them and pray for their healing.
- *Healing Rooms:* BSSM students serve in the Bethel Healing Rooms on Saturday mornings.
- *Pastoral Care Creative Team:* BSSM students volunteer under a hospital chaplain to bring healing through music and arts to hospital residents.

Creative Arts

- *Dance Team:* BSSM students partner with other City Service teams to provide dance classes and presentations. They also create atmospheres of worship through dance.
- *Skilled Artists Team:* BSSM students partner with other City Service teams to provide art classes, self-portraits, paintings, murals, and more.
- *Drama Team:* BSSM students partner with other City Service teams to provide drama classes and presentations.
- *Children's Story Hour:* BSSM students read to children who attend "Story Hour" at the city library.
- *Arts in Healing:* BSSM students bring healing through the arts to individuals in hospitals and rehabilitation centers.

- *Culture of Thankfulness*: BSSM students intentionally build relationships with and celebrate businesses or people in our city.

Other City Service Opportunities

- *Asian Ministry*: BSSM students partner with a local Asian church to reach the Asian population, specifically in restaurants and massage parlors.
- *City Project*: BSSM students provide landscaping and manual labor to the city.
- *CareNet Pregnancy Center*: BSSM students help with the administrative functions of a pregnancy care center.
- *Iris Ministries*: BSSM students write handwritten thank you notes that are sent to missionaries around the world.
- *Kingdom Expansion*: BSSM students serve alongside the Kingdom Expansion team that follows up and encourages new believers.
- *Prophetic Sessions*: BSSM students prophesy to visitors that sign-up for the Prophetic Sessions on Sundays.
- *Single Parent Ministry*: BSSM students adopt a single parent and their family, blessing them in both practical and spiritual ways.