

EMPOWER CDC

NEWSLETTER



Orange Ribbon Cutting at Windsor Gardens

On October 23rd, Empower CDC held a Orange Ribbon Cutting ceremony to unveil our newly renovated food pantry at Windsor Gardens. Joined by our board of directors, community partners, and dedicated staff, this event celebrated a significant step in our mission to support local families. It was an inspiring day filled with community spirit as we opened this essential resource to better serve those in need.

- **Food Pantry Launching at Windsor Gardens Apartments – Opened November 6, 2024**

We are thrilled to announce that our Food Pantry at Windsor Gardens Apartments officially opened on November 6th, 2024! This initiative aims to provide healthy and accessible food options to families in our community. The pantry is open every Wednesday, and we look forward to serving our neighbors weekly. For details on hours of operation and to complete an application, visit our page [here](#).



Recap: Our Summer Backpack Drive

This summer we held a Backpack Drive that reached hundreds of children and families across Houston. Empower CDC donated 450 backpacks to Star of Hope, 50 to Believers Ministry, 30 to the YET Center, and 80 across three of our properties, including The Brittmoore and Meadows at Cypress Creek Apartments. The kids enjoyed pizza, ice cream, and left with backpacks full of supplies to start the school year strong. Thank you to everyone who made this event possible!

[Read More on our Website](#)



Backpack Drive



Holiday Support for Families

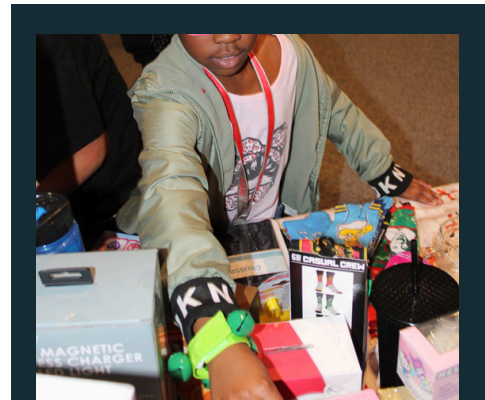
Need a little extra help this holiday season? The **Salvation Army Angel Tree Program** provides gifts and essential items to children and seniors in need. Find out how to apply or support a family by visiting [Salvation Army Angel Tree](#).

Let's spread joy and make the season brighter for all!



● Project Canvas at YET CENTER

For the past few months, Empower CDC has proudly hosted Project Canvas events at the YET Center. Over the summer, we serviced 15 kids, and now, with the school year in full swing, we're reaching 40 students each month! These workshops encourage the youth to explore college opportunities, build confidence, and pursue their goals. Each session includes interactive activities, snacks, and the chance to win exciting raffles. Stay tuned for more inspiring topics in the coming months! Learn more about Project Canvas [here](#).



Support Our Holiday Bike & Toy Drive

As we approach the holiday season, we are gearing up for our *Bike & Toy Drive* to bring joy to children in need. If you would like to contribute to this meaningful cause, you can make a donation [here](#). Your generosity will help make this holiday season special for many children.

Thank you for being a part of Empower CDC's mission to uplift and support our communities!

- **Get Involved: Volunteer with Empower CDC**

Are you looking for ways to make a positive impact in your community? We welcome anyone who would like to join our efforts. From helping out at events to organizing supplies, your time and effort will make a difference. Learn more about volunteering and sign up [here](#).

OUR IMPACT THIS YEAR

Number of
Households Served
1,837

Number of
Food Served \$ Worth
\$63,927.00

Number of
Community Partners
25+

THANK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS

