



Hello and welcome to our *December* newsletter



Welcome to our final newsletter of the year! As 2025 comes to a close, we want to take a moment to celebrate the incredible success, impact, and partnerships that have made this year so meaningful. Thanks to your support, we've been able to lift up neighbors, empower students, and strengthen our community in ways that truly matter.

Be sure to watch for our annual report next month, where we'll share a deeper look at the lives touched, programs strengthened, and milestones achieved in 2025.

From all of us at LVTRise, we wish you a happy and healthy New Year! Your partnership has made this year extraordinary, and we look forward to continuing our work together in 2026—rising higher, stronger, and united as a community.

Christian Harris
Development Manager

November - December Recap

This Thanksgiving, our team continued our annual community dinner pick-up, providing hot, delicious meals for neighbors to enjoy with their families. Community members came by to pick up a meal and feel the support of a caring community.

Moments like these remind us that together, we rise—making sure everyone has a reason to celebrate and a warm meal at the table. We are so proud of our staff for making this tradition possible every year!

As the holiday season continued, our kids were treated to unforgettable experiences. Shout-out to our incredible students and their amazing teachers! A group of 100 students from Western Hills Elementary earned a once-in-a-lifetime experience through their perfect attendance, strong grades, and outstanding behavior—and they truly shined at AT&T Stadium, home of the Dallas Cowboys! From security staff to event organizers, everyone agreed this was one of the best-behaved, most respectful groups they'd ever seen. Thanks to Bank of America, students attended an unforgettable sports clinic featuring DeMarcus Ware, Brandon Aubrey, and Clint Dempsey, rotated through hands-on skill circuits, toured the stadium, and each went home with Adidas tennis shoes, a t-shirt, and a swag bag—smiles all around! As an extra special surprise, Bank of America presented us with a \$10,000 check during the Cowboys game, reinforcing their incredible commitment to supporting students and education.

The holiday magic continued in our neighborhood with Cook Children's Teddy Bear Transport, driving Santa through the Las Vegas Trail and engaging with kids and neighbors for a festive holiday visit. Cops for Kids also made spirits bright, including 10 of our LVTRise kids in their Christmas shopping event, giving them a fun and memorable holiday experience.

And thanks to our Angel Tree, 79 kids were adopted this year—making Christmas extra special for each of them. The generosity of everyone who participated truly made the season shine!

From Thanksgiving dinners to holiday celebrations, from classrooms to neighborhood streets, this season reminded us that together, we rise—and the joy of giving, community, and celebration makes the holidays unforgettable for our kids.



November Impact



Food Pantry Families served 772	Weekly STD Testing Participants 63	Fort Worth Public Library visitors 416	Volunteer Visits 108
Youth Activities Participants 60	Case Management 64	Special Events Participants 163	Volunteer Hours 251.08

Community Impact

Volunteer Experience:

"I keep coming back to volunteer at LVTRISE because of the people. Whether its Roxy giving me a hug, Pedro with his signature grin, or Ms. Kathy cracking jokes, they all truly are genuinely kind caring people. The work that is being done is incredible. A tangible difference in the lives of so many. I leave every week filled with hope, hope for the future of Las Vegas Trail but also hope for myself and my children. There are good people doing great work and I feel honored to get to play a small part of it."

Spectrum: The Night Before Christmas

"In all my 36 years I have never experienced a performance like that it was AMAZING! The way they played the instruments so beautifully. The music was played amazingly. The best part of all was seeing my children so attentive to the music and enjoying the performances as much as me, I was lost for word. This is a performance my children and I will never forget, we will be forever great for this experience. Thank y'all LVTRISE."

Angel Tree

"This year has been a hard year for my family and me. My hours were cut at work, and I have been short on money. I was worried I was not going to be able to make rent, much less buy Christmas presents for my children. My children's school reached out, and I was told to come to LVT Rise to fill out an Angel Tree application for my children. And beyond my imagination, I was able to pick up the gifts of my children and I was shocked. Thanks to the wonderful personnel, my children will have one of their best Christmas's ever. I'm so grateful that my children and I have such great people in our lives. These are people who pay attention to the small. Thank you to the school, LVT Rise, and the wonderful personnel that adopted my children. May God bless each of you and may you and your families have a wonderful Christmas."



Your Impact Starts Here



Year-End Donation

Your Final Opportunity for Impact With LVTRise in 2025

Your year-end gift turns compassion into action—ensuring neighbors on the Las Vegas Trail have access to critical support, resources, and pathways to stability when it matters most. Every dollar invested today strengthens families, builds connection, and helps our community enter the new year with hope and opportunity.

Monthly Giving Program

Make a Lasting Impact—One Month at a Time!

Join our monthly giving program at any amount that feels right. Your steady support is essential to reaching those who need us most. As a thank you, new monthly donors will receive a special gift after their first donation—though the greatest gift is the impact your generosity makes possible.

Volunteer

Volunteers are the heart of our Tuesday Food Pantry. Each week from 8:30 AM–12:30 PM, neighbors come together to sort, pack, and distribute food to families across the Las Vegas Trail. Whether you're greeting community members with a smile or helping ensure families leave with nourishment and dignity, your time helps create a welcoming, supportive space where no one feels alone. Join us on Tuesdays and be part of meeting a critical need—one neighbor at a time.



Snack Donations

Help us keep our pantry stocked and our kids nourished.

Every day, we offer a healthy snack to each child who walks through our doors—and we rely on generous supporters like you to make it possible.

Your contributions help us create a welcoming, caring environment where kids feel seen, supported, and cared for.

We are so grateful!

Thank you to our volunteers, donors, partners, and funders—your generosity makes everything we do possible.

Whether you gave your time, financial support, in-kind donations, or partnership, your commitment helped strengthen families and build connection across the Las Vegas Trail. Because of you, neighbors were supported, hope was restored, and our community continues to rise—together.



Public Improvement District

The Las Vegas Trail PID (Public Improvement District) provides enhanced services and improvements that support the city while strengthening our community—helping create a safer, cleaner, and more vibrant neighborhood for all who live and work here. We are so grateful for the LVT PID and the positive impact it continues to have on our community.



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October Security Check Stats



BUSINESS CHECKS

207



CITIZEN CONTACTS

171



PARKING LOT CHECKS

206



ASSIST ON-DUTY UNITS

3



HOMELESS ENCOUNTERS

29

TOTAL INSTANCES

616

TOTAL PATROL HOURS

180

Upcoming Partners On-Site

WEEKLY EVENTS:

TUESDAYS:

Food pantry 10AM-12PM

Game Night 3:30-5PM

WEDNESDAYS:

Bible Study 6-8PM

THURSDAYS:

STD Testing 9AM-12PM

Season of Change 5:30-7PM

Group Art Therapy 6:30-7:30PM

FRIDAYS:

Group Art Therapy 3-5PM

MONTHLY EVENTS:

1/6 PNC Mobile bank 9AM-11AM

1/7 Women's ministry for women 9:30AM-12PM

1/10 Walk with a doc

1/15 Produce Pantry 9AM-12PM

1/20 PNC Mobile bank 9AM-11AM

1/21 Manager Meeting 11:30AM-12:30PM

1/28 CAP Event 8AM-12PM

1/28 PID Meeting 9:30AM-10:30AM

1/28 Snap 9AM-12PM

1/29 Produce Pantry 9AM-12PM

