

Meet The Team: Xavier High School Service Club



Meal Provider & Server

It takes a **team** to provide shelter and low-income, affordable housing resources to people experiencing homelessness in our community. The Pillars team includes dedicated **staff**, selfless **volunteers**, and generous **donors** contributing to common goals:

SHELTER, SUPPORT, SOLUTIONS.

Tell us a little bit about the Xavier High School Service Club.

"Xavier High School Service Club is made up of students at Xavier High School that provides volunteer services throughout Appleton. We serve & provide dinners at Pillars, play Bingo at Brewster Village, and have various fundraisers to benefit local charities."

Why did Xavier High School Service Club start volunteering at Pillars? What motivates you to continue volunteering?

"We wanted to reach out to the community. Pillars was the perfect opportunity for students (and teachers) to gain experience talking with people from different walks of life, while helping those who may be struggling. We absolutely love helping, whenever & wherever we can."

What does the typical volunteer shift look like?

"We cook and prepare meals. We serve meals to those in shelter and assist with clean up afterwards. It can be a fun time, especially when we have friendly conversations with the people in shelter."

How has volunteering at Pillars impacted service club members?

"Volunteering at Pillars has made the service club more aware of the homeless in our community. We now strive to help them as much as we can."

What is the best thing that has happened to you or that you have seen while volunteering?

"We host a vigil every year for people experiencing homelessness. We were not expecting a large turnout this year due to Covid-19. However, we had nearly 80 participants at this year's event! It was awesome!"

Is there one thing the world should know about you?

"We are the biggest club in the school! We work to be images of Christ by serving others less fortunate than ourselves."

For individuals interested in serving in your position at Pillars, what is one thing they should know?

"I think they should expect to be flexible and embrace the opportunities and conversations that serving at Pillars brings. Don't hesitate, serve now!"



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