

HPHC Las Vegas Shine City Project ends summer at Las Vegas Rescue Mission

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On September 3, 2022, Shine City Project volunteered at the Las Vegas Rescue Mission for the seventh and final time for the summer! Although the weather in Las Vegas has been mild and monsoonal, our volunteers have been enjoying the air-conditioned facilities of the Las Vegas Rescue Mission this past summer. For this Saturday afternoon, our eight Shine City Project volunteers helped out with the community dinner service for any guests staying outside of the Las Vegas Rescue Mission. Although for this past summer we have been fortunate to have plenty of volunteers from other organizations to help out with the community dinner service, this time, we barely had enough people for the doors of the dining hall to be able to open and invite people in. As a result, our volunteers were put into positions and responsibilities that we've never tried before in order to keep the dinner service running.

While some volunteers helped out with the quick passing and distribution of food trays to guests, another helped to count and keep track the number of trays of food that were being made by using a small, handheld counter clicker. Another volunteer helped to offer hot sauce to anyone in need of some spice for their food. Two of our volunteers were in charge of refilling water pitchers on the tables, and one final volunteer had the responsibility of taking away food trays from those who were finished with their food. It was a busy time for all of our volunteers, but with all of our hard work and efforts, we were able to have a successful dinner service! To close out our time at the Las Vegas Rescue Mission, as usual, we wiped down all the tables and chairs, and swept the dining hall floor of any trash and food waste. It has been a great experience volunteering at the Las Vegas Rescue Mission this past summer, and we hope to come back sometime again! Until then, we look forward to being back outside and enjoying the outdoors spaces that Las Vegas has to offer!