ProAct Post

MAY 2026

Community Appreciation

We are so thankful for our amazing communities and the community partners we have built lasting relationships with. In particular, we would love to offer a shoutout to our friends at Red Wing Shoe! A hardworking team of volunteers recently rolled up their sleeves at our ProAct Red Wing site to work on our garden wall.

Seeing everyone working together on improving our garden truly showed the power of community spirit and the joys that volunteerism brings! We extend our deepest thanks to the volunteers for their time and hard work, and to our participants for their fantastic teamwork. Your collective efforts have not only beautifully improved our garden but have also strengthened the meaningful connections that make our community so special!

Enrichment Program Highlights

April Showers & Smiles

The month of April was a month of excitement and joy.

In Red Wing, participants were off on a multitude of adventures like the History Museum, Sustainable Safari, the Science Museum, Corey Park, the Minnesota Zoo, and the historic James J. Hill House. All with enough time left over for volunteering with Feed My Starving Children and work on our drumming with the Universal Music Center.

In Shakopee, participants danced to their hearts content, worked on their bowling and archery skills, and took an exciting trip to tour the Shakopee Police Station. From enjoying the very first lunch on the new patio to volunteering with Feed My Starving Children, there was plenty to do and so much fun to be had.

In Eagan, participants enjoyed exciting trips (with great photo opportunities) to sea life, sustainable safari, and snake discovery to spend time with the animals, top golf to work on their golf swings, and Chuck E. Cheese for fun and games. We also can't leave out heading out to the well-known Witch's Hat water tower, also known as Rapunzel's Tower, in Minneapolis to let down our hair and relax.

Finally, in Hudson, participants got up close and personal with some especially friendly llamas and alpacas at Eagle Eye Farm. There was also a great deal of fun being had working on drawing, exploring the Pavek Museum of Electronic Communication, and joining a volunteer appreciation lunch with the Meals on Wheels program!

Check out more photos below!

Meals on Wheels Volunteer Appreciation Lunch

Chuck E. Cheese

Cooking Time

Archery Lessons

Painting

Furry Friends at Eagle Eye Farm

Playing in the Park

Witch's Hat Water Tower

April by the Numbers

Total Hours: **56,623**
Participants Served: **725**
Independent Hires: **2**

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Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Activities

Monthly, ProAct's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Committee focuses on educating staff, participants and stakeholders in areas of culture, diversity, and disability. The committee chooses one diversity related area and a disability as its educational focuses for the month. Bulletin boards, e-mails, class projects and other tools are used to educate staff and participants at each of our four locations.

The committee chose **Buddha Day and Celiac Awareness** for the month of April.

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