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### **Mayor's Summer Interns Donate Generously to Hope House: Strengthening Community Support**

The Mayor's Summer Interns have shown remarkable generosity by donating time, effort, and resources to support Hope House, a local nonprofit organization dedicated to helping homeless families rebuild their lives. This initiative underscores the interns' commitment not only to their professional growth but also to making a positive impact on the community they serve.

Over the past six weeks, twenty-six (26) interns have worked in various departments within the City of Shreveport. This internship program is geared toward undergraduate and recent graduate students with an interest in learning the day-to-day operations of public service. The mission of this program is to provide opportunities to introduce college level students with a passion for public service in gaining practical knowledge of the daily function of local/municipal government.

Each year, the interns research and decide what non-profit to assist. This year, they chose the Holy Cross Hope House. The interns will deliver items for clients and the center on *Tuesday, July 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm*. The Hope House is located at 762 Austin Pl. **Shreveport, LA**.

*About Hope House:* Holy Cross Hope House is a day shelter for area homeless people. Some of the services include laundry, showers, mail, telephone, and many other regular if not daily services. They are a ministry of the Church of the Holy Cross (Episcopal) and are committed to serving without regard to race, religion, sex, sexuality, or gender expression.

The interns' initiative this summer reflects a broader culture that values philanthropy and community engagement. By partnering with Hope House, they have demonstrated a commitment to fostering positive change and addressing societal challenges at the local level.

