



*Hello Slingshots Friends,*

July was an amazing month at Slingshots! Summer hours are in full swing and teens are loving their time off from school.

### **Check out what was taking place in July at Slingshots**

**Vocational Training:** We have started putting together Slingshots Boutique. The teens have helped the entire time from stripping the floor, painting the floors, sorting clothes, hanging clothes and decorating. We still have more work but we are getting closer to having it ready for teens in need to benefit from all the work of Slingshots teens. Part of our vocational training is fashion merchandising. We will teach teens how to merchandise our very own Slingshots Boutique with brand new and gently used clothes all donated. The clothes will be used to help those teens who are in need.

**Gym Nights:** Slingshots teens are meeting 5 times this summer at the North Side Gospel Center gym to play basketball, volleyball, football and more. This is a great opportunity to be with the teens outside of Slingshots teen center.



**Bible study and root beer floats:** We started a Bible study after our drop in hours. We are studying the book of John. Many of the teens have never read the Bible or studied it like we are doing. I can tell they are learning so much. (Picture above of Bob leading Bible study on John)



**Meeting Room:** We have cleared out 600 boxes to get a meeting room ready. This room will have more than one purpose. The room will be used for Club Night teaching times, carpentry training and many other purposes.

(Picture of a local youth pastor teaching at Club Night)

## Cleaning up the neighborhood:

Slingshots teens helped clean up the neighborhood by picking up several trash bags full of garbage. We are teaching teens to serve in the community they live



**Daily Bible Study:** Slingshots teens participate in a short Bible study on a daily basis. Bob and Jenn teach teens many valuable lessons from God's word. Teens are learning about not returning evil for evil, setting boundaries in relationships, serving, obedience and many other Biblical principles.

**Mission Teams:** A group of college students from Louisiana came to serve at Slingshots early in July. The college students had the opportunity to hang out with the teens as well as teach the daily Bible study. We are thankful for their encouragement to the teens.

\*Picture of teens and missions group from Louisiana



**Teens exercising:** Many teens jump in the Gaga Ball pit daily. The best way to describe this game is dodgeball in a box. The teens love it.

\*Picture of teens playing Gaga Ball



## How you can help Slingshots

1. Would you be willing to support Slingshots on a monthly basis? We can set this up online or you can mail a check monthly. We can help you set this up - email [slingshotschicago@gmail.com](mailto:slingshotschicago@gmail.com)
2. Churches: Would you be willing to support Slingshots with a monthly gift? We also need volunteers from churches – maybe your church can commit to a day of the week.
3. Prayer. Please pray that God will give us the resources and funds needed to continue to Help Teens Hit Their Target. Slingshots is looking for prayer warriors who we can send request to. Let us know if you would like to be a prayer warrior for Slingshots.
4. One time donations online at [www.slingshotschicago.com/donate](http://www.slingshotschicago.com/donate)

Serving Him Together,

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