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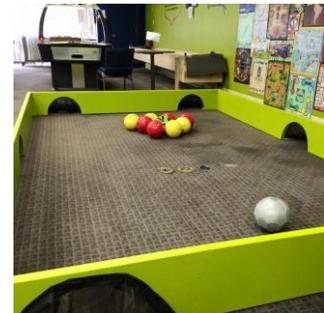
We are so thankful for all that God is doing at Slingshots! Daily we see the impact of God's word being taught and the love, care and investment into the lives of teens. Slingshots continues to Help Teens Hit Their Target!

### Looking back at May



The month of May Slingshots saw the body of Christ working together in so many ways. The Branch Church in Chicago came to help with many projects at Slingshots from painting to cleaning. We are so thankful for their support both financially and with servants who are willing to get their hands dirty to help teens.

Also in May we had a group of young adults come from **East Brandywine Baptist Church in Downingtown, PA**. This group took part in building a **very cool new game** for the teens to play at Slingshots. They also served in many other ways such as teaching the daily Bible study, passing out Bible verses with candy attached, preparing and serving walking tacos, putting on an art show made up of art work by teens and helping out at our Club Night!



This past month we saw our daily attendance increase to about 55 students a day.

The month of May also brought 30 new faces as well. Since we opened on September of 2014 we have had about 500 teens come to Slingshots. Some come every day and some come once a week. Some come for one hour and some stay the entire time we are open.

### Volunteer Highlight



**Steven Wherry** has been volunteering for a couple months now and comes in every day after work. Steven is just incredible with the teens. The teens love him and he loves them. We see God working in him on a daily basis. Not only can Steven have fun with the kids, but he also teaches them how to deal with conflict, forgiveness and many other biblical principles. Slingshots is better because of all the work that Steven is doing. We would love to hire Steven part time as soon as possible. We are asking God to provide the needed funds to allow Steven to come and work at Slingshots part time and full time in the future. If you would like to help Slingshots hire Steven or if you or your business would like to help us hire Steven please let us know.

**Volunteers!** Slingshots is looking for more volunteers to invest in the lives of the teens and their families. This could come in the form of an individual committing a few hours a week to a church in the area taking a day of the week and supplying the volunteers. Please consider your part in volunteering if you live in the area.

**Daily Bible study.** What started out as 5@5 (5 minute Bible study at 5:00) has turned into 15@5 (15 minute Bible study at 5:00). Teens do not have to stay for this Bible study, but we do ask that all teens gather in the middle at 5:00 for just a few minutes. Most of the teens stay. Many days we have 50 teens for our Bible study. We have been talking about how to deal with conflict, setting boundaries in relationships, loving others and much more.

## **Looking Ahead**

We are excited about what God is currently doing and we continue to pray for guidance for the future of Slingshots. We are working to get the building ready for next steps. This requires a lot of painting, cleaning and relocating things that were in the building. This past month we were able to relocate 600 boxes to a storage facility so that that space could be used to help teens. In the month of June, we will transition into our summer hours and host a mission team of middle school students from Pittsburg PA. This team will serve at Slingshots, canvas the area, interact with the teens of Slingshots and teach the daily Bible study.

## **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. Call 847-873-4762 or 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.
4. Make connections. Would you be willing to help make connections needed to churches, businesses, politicians, community leaders, foundations, etc. that would be willing to support Slingshots? Maybe your workplace would be willing to offer Slingshots a grant. Slingshots is a 501c3 non-profit organization.

Please use the return envelope to make a donation to Slingshots. You can also go to [www.slingshotschicago.com/donate](http://www.slingshotschicago.com/donate) to make a donation online.

Slingshots is thankful to those who have given a one-time gift along with our 2 supporting churches and 27 individual monthly supporters. Your faithfulness has given us the opportunity to Help Teens Hit Their Target!

Serving Him Together,

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