



CPFI x CKC Music

2023 CPFI Hands and Feet Grant

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Background

- Loma Linda University is located in San Bernardino County, where many opportunities exist to mentor kids with interest but no access to music or private lessons.
- Community Kids Connection (CKC) - Music has been a successful part of the LLU student-led Healthy Neighborhoods Projects, playing an important role by increasing children's interest in music in an underserved part of San Bernardino.
- Members of our student chapter had an opportunity to volunteer for CKC – Music and saw the need and desires of the group.
- CPFI student chapter of LLUSP aims to collaborate with CKC - Music in providing mentorship and making an impact in the community.

Objectives

- Our goal for this project was to continue promoting the interest in learning and providing mentorship through music with the help of CKC – Music that had already developed consistent and stable programs for the children of San Bernardino County.
- The Hands & Feet grant was used to donate musical instruments, supplies, and materials to aid in learning.



Methods

From August 2022 to March 2023, the CPFI student chapter provided musical instruments, supplies, as well as musical mentorship. Through the help of many volunteers, we provided:

- 1.5 hours of weekly lessons including the violin, piano, guitars, bells, etc.
- opportunities for more tangible learning experiences and exposure to variety of music.
- mini musical concerts with the mentees to develop performance skills and present their learnings to the family.
- person-to-person relationships over time with the students and their families.



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- We thank the National CPFI for offering this opportunity to extend our community service. We would also like to express appreciation to Dr. Knecht, the LLUSP CPFI Chapter Advisor and the Director of CKC – Music.

Results

- A total of 14 consistent, regular students.
- An average of 6.8 sessions attended by the students, ranging from 2-16 sessions.
- An average of 9.6 new songs or scales taught, a minimum of 3 to a maximum of 22 new songs/scales.
- Supported \$500 worth of instruments and equipment including five musical books, music educational board games, two ukuleles, four violin bows, two mini drums, and a percussion set.



Conclusion

- Our student chapter is grateful for the chance to utilize our skills and time to give back to our community. This project was an experience to grow individually and as a team.
- Other CPFI chapters can benefit from our initiative by developing and engaging in a mentorship program with grade school students or utilizing music to reach out to the community.
- We look forward to the continued involvement with CKC – Music, service to our community, and growth as a student chapter all in the glory of God.