

## Las Vegas Holy Community Shine City Project at St. Jude's Ranch for Children

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On January 13, 2024, Shine City Project volunteered for the first time at St. Jude's Ranch for Children, Located in Boulder City, St. Jude's Ranch for Children has the mission of transforming the lives of abused and at-risk children, young adults, and families by empowering them to create new choices and new hope in a caring community. The campus serves those who have experienced sex trafficking and provides them a safe and supportive environment for healing.



On this Saturday morning, our nine Shine City Project volunteers helped to sort and organize Christmas decorations at St. Jude's Ranch for Children! Each year, St. Jude's Ranch for Children is decorated for the holidays for visitors and their residents, as well as for their annual Night of Lights event.



With the end of the holiday season, all the decorations and holiday items had already been taken down and placed into boxes and bins, but our volunteers had to ensure that all similar items were grouped together such as Christmas balls, ornaments, trees, wreaths, poinsettias, lights, power extension cables, and others.

We also had to analyze and figure out which boxes and bins would be best put together in larger, movable bins so that items can be easily located for the next holiday season while maximizing the space inside the larger bins.

Overall, the service project required both physical and mental abilities, but with everyone's efforts and teamwork, we were able to complete the job with time to spare!