

Veterans Explore Construction Careers at SAMMC-North

SAN ANTONIO – When complete, the San Antonio Military Medical Center – North (SAMMC-North) will provide state-of-the-art medical services to members of our nation's military. Clark Construction, and joint venture partner Hunt Construction Group, are currently building the new medical facility at Fort Sam Houston. From the project's outset, the joint venture team made a commitment to providing support for local veterans and members of the military community. Throughout the course of construction, the team has partnered with a variety of local organizations to make good on that promise.

Recently, Clark and Hunt joined forces with Enable America, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping people with disabilities find employment and live independently. The group's VetConnect program engages local, civic, business, and community groups to help wounded veterans re-acclimate to civilian life and prepare for the workforce.

Through the VetConnect program, the SAMMC-North project team hosted seven veterans for a day of mentoring and hands-on learning about construction careers. The veterans ranged in age and ability

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Clark Celebrates 10th Year of Holiday Contribution Program

BETHESDA, Md. – Over the past decade, Clark has cultivated a tradition that employees look forward to every December – the Holiday Contribution Program. This program enables employees to select a charitable organization to receive a contribution from Clark in their name.

In 2009, many charitable organizations struggled when faced with an increased demand for services coupled with a

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Clark Employees Spread Holiday Cheer Across the Country

BETHESDA, Md. – From regional offices, to jobsites across the country, the Clark family gave back this holiday season with several outreach projects to benefit local communities and the military.

Supporting Our Troops

For the second consecutive holiday season, employees in the Costa Mesa, Calif., office prepared care packages for military personnel serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. The East LA High School #2/ Esteban E. Torres High School team made the project a priority and collected scores of care package items, and raised more than \$1,400 to purchase supplementary goods.

The University Gateway project team also assembled over 200 care packages. The packages, stuffed with batteries, beef jerky, powdered beverages, hand sanitizer and other sundries, were presented to Naval Base Ventura County and delivered to the SeaBees of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion TWENTY-ONE in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Helping the Homeless

In December, the LAX TBIT Improvements project team continued its support of local senior citizens by sponsoring and providing gifts for 51 homeless seniors in Los Angeles. The project team now has sponsored more than 140 seniors over the past two years.

Assisting Families in Need

In Northern California, Clark partnered with Harbor House, a community center in Oakland, for the third consecutive year. Employees adopted three families and collected gifts and grocery gift cards to provide each with a memorable holiday season. The California ISO project team gave more than 25 gifts to their adopted family of four, the John Muir Medical Center project team collected more than 40 gifts for their adopted family of 12, and Oakland office personnel, working with the Highland Hospital and UCSF project teams, gave nearly 80 gifts to their adopted family of 14.

Feeding the Hungry

San Diego-area employees spent the weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas collecting food and toy donations to benefit the San Diego Food Bank and the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation, respectively. The region set up two collection spots: one at the regional office and the other at the UCSD North Campus Housing Phase II jobsite.

Also in San Diego, 20 volunteers from the UCSD North Campus housing project spent the morning of December 23 cooking and serving breakfast at St. Vincent de Paul village, a local homeless shelter.

Caring for Children

Two members of the Clark Foundations team chaperoned a holiday party for children at the Good Hope House in southeast Washington, D.C. The Good Hope House provides transitional housing and comprehensive support services for children and families recovering from homelessness and addiction. The volunteers helped the children

bake cookies, decorate a Christmas tree, play games, and sing songs.

When the District of Columbia Building Industry Association needed volunteers to help plan and coordinate the annual Christmas party benefiting the Children of Mine Center in southeast Washington, D.C., Clark's Preconstruction Services team answered the call. The team bought dozens of gifts for children in the Children of Mine Center's afterschool programs for underprivileged youth. The team also stayed at the party to help the children decorate cookies, participate in arts and crafts and play games.

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but were united by a desire to explore careers in the construction industry. Each veteran was paired with a Clark or Hunt mentor to learn about project management, field work, accounting, document management, Building Information Modeling, or safety.

By the end of the day, the veterans had a better understanding of the skills needed to succeed in the construction industry. One wounded warrior even received a job offer from a local subcontractor.

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decrease in donations. To address this heightened need, and also to pay tribute to the 10th anniversary of the Holiday Contribution Program, Clark doubled the donation amount for each employee to \$100, resulting in over \$130,000 worth of donations to more than 460 deserving non-profit organizations.



University Gateway project team members proudly display the care packages they assembled for U.S. troops overseas.

Oversized Donation Helps DC Fire/EMS Training Academy

WASHINGTON, D.C. – In November, Clark Construction facilitated the donation of two precast T sections to the DC Fire/EMS Training Academy. The Ts, originally slated for the DoD/BRAC 133 project at Mark Center in Alexandria, Va., were unfit for the project due to design changes. Rather than scrap the materials, a member of the project team who also is a volunteer fireman, contacted the DC Fire/EMS Training Academy to see if they could put the Ts to use.

Clark later worked with the training academy and members from The Shockeyprecast Group, Shirley Contracting Company, and Crane Service Company to coordinate the donation's delivery. The Ts, which stretched 55 feet in length and weighed nearly 55,000 pounds, were brought to the facility on flatbed tractor trailers. Following their arrival, a crew of volunteers, including Clark personnel, academy staff, and riggers and a crane operator from Shockeyprecast, set the Ts in place as a small crowd of firefighters watched in the distance.

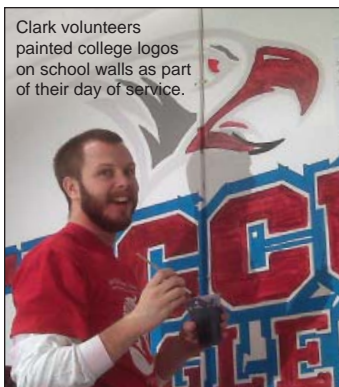


After unloading the precast Ts, Clark representatives joined members of Shockeyprecast, and the DC Fire/EMS Training Academy for a group photo.

The academy plans to use the Ts in special training exercises; They will help firefighters practice rescue operations in confined spaces and will aid in their study of collapsed structures. The donation also allows the facility to perform

some training exercises on site that were previously done elsewhere. Additional Ts and concrete pieces also were donated to Fairfax County's training facility in Lorton, Va.

Clark Employees Give Back in Honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day



Clark volunteers painted college logos on school walls as part of their day of service.

ALEXANDRIA, Va. – On January 18, Greater DC Cares engaged over 3,000 community members in service to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Nine members of Clark's DoD/BRAC 133 project at Mark Center team were among the volunteers who made improvements to 71 schools and non-profit organizations in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area.

Clark's volunteers spent the morning at T.C. Williams High School's Minnie Howard Campus for ninth grade students and painted college logos and inspirational sayings in each classroom. The logos were requested by T.C. Williams' faculty to serve as a reminder that an early commitment toward academic achievement can open doors for higher education in the future.

Crisis in Haiti

BETHESDA, Md. – In January, the entire world was shocked by the news reports of the devastating earthquake in Haiti. In the wake of this tragedy, Clark is committed to offering support for the hundreds of thousands of individuals whose lives have been affected by this event.

To aid the immediate emergency response work, Clark made an initial donation to the American Red Cross and is investigating how the company can contribute to the relief and rebuilding efforts through in-kind donations, by lending our expertise, and by supporting local disaster recovery organizations working in the region.

Clark employees also have responded with an outpouring of support for the distressed country, by offering up skills and services, and organizing fundraisers to aid relief efforts in the region.

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During their tour, students observed the various stages of construction.



Clark Continues Vocational School Mentoring Program with On Site Visit

WASHINGTON, D.C. – On January 15, seven students from the Young America Works Public Charter Vocational School visited Clark's Constitution Square jobsite in northeast D.C. This visit is a part of a year-long educational partnership between Clark and the school. The students had already completed several weeks of coursework in the fundamentals of construction prior to their visit, but had yet to experience an active jobsite.

The tour began with a review of safety rules and regulations, and a question and answer session with Constitution Square Project Executive, Andy Fuhrmann. During the tour, students descended the building floor by floor to see the progression of the fit-out and interior finishes. Along the way, Clark tour guides pointed out unique architectural features and explained the functions of the tools and construction equipment in use.

The students have scheduled a second visit to the jobsite later this year, and will continue their coursework in the interim. Integrating hands-on field experience into their curriculum will solidify some of the concepts they are learning in the classroom and help the students visualize what a career in construction is like.

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