

UNITED WAY OF UTAH COUNTY /PORTRAITS OF SERVICE  
SERVICE REFLECTION

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During the summer I participated in "Summer of Service" (United Way of Utah County service program for youth). My mom and I had heard about it through a friend and decided to sign my siblings and I up. At first, I was not excited to be a part of the service activities. But after being involved and seeing how fun service can be, it turned out to be an extremely rewarding experience.

If I hadn't done "Summer of Service," I probably would have wasted a lot of time moping around my house and being lazy. Ten hours of service seemed like a long time before I did it, but during and afterwards I wonder how the time flew by.

Being involved in my community is way more fun than I thought it would be. Not only does it help others, but it makes me feel more accomplished and important. Without giving service, you are just another person. But when you serve others, you become a member of the community.