

ABMCares

Employees Making a Difference
in their Communities





Letter from our CEO

Scott Salmirs

We developed our company mission—to make a difference, every person, every day—because I truly believe business needs to positively impact our communities. At ABM there are so many examples of our employees donating to charities and volunteering for local events where they live, work, and play. I am continuously inspired by their efforts and I am truly honored to be able to share some of their stories.

Make a difference!

Scott Salmirs



NOVEMBER 2016



November 2, 2016

The ABM Healthcare team conducts Jeans Day every Friday, where employees can wear jeans if they donate to a special cause. During the entire month of September, the team donated their entire collection to aid three ABMers who were severely impacted by the Louisiana floods. Two employees lost mostly everything and were displaced, while another ABMer had severe water damage to her property and belongings. The team was able to raise over \$1,800 to benefit their colleagues. A BIG thank you to all who participated!

November 17, 2016

A child is diagnosed with cancer every 2 minutes. The ABM B&I team in Orange County donated a set of Los Angeles Lakers suite tickets to be auctioned off at the Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation's annual Bid for Kids Fundraiser. It raised \$5,000 to the fight against childhood cancer!

The Foundation's mission is to improve the care, quality of life, and survival rate of children with malignant disease. We are all somehow affected by Pediatric cancer, and ABM is proud to contribute to this cause each year.



November 22, 2016

People from across the UK have come together to raise money for Children in Need! Live on BBC, the network hosts a special night of family entertainment to help raise money for disadvantaged children and young people in the UK.

This year, with the support of the ABM UK team, the fundraiser raised a phenomenal £46,624,259 (\$57 million). The team was photographed when Pudsey the Bear, the fundraiser's mascot, was onsite at the Union Square Shopping Center in Aberdeen, Scotland. The team is especially noteworthy as this client site was recently a finalist for the ICSC European Shopping Center Awards. Thank you so much for all your support for this important cause!



November 23, 2016

The Tempe, AZ office regularly partners with The Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Every year, this non-profit organization provides individualized care, nourishment, and resources to those most in need. The ABM team donated 32 turkeys for Thanksgiving! We are proud that our team contributes to this great cause!



November 29, 2016

This holiday season, the Sacramento and Solano teams supported the Rio Vista Food Pantry for the second year in a row! Dozens of ABMers provided food and toys for veterans, homeless, and over 1,200 families in need.

The Rio Vista Food Pantry is leading the fight for people who are struggling to meet basic needs, and facing hunger on a daily basis. We are grateful that our ABM team supports their local community!



DECEMBER 2016



December 7, 2016

ABM's Corporate and Shared Services Center in Houston once again committed their time, food and funds for the 3rd Annual ABM Hunger Games. Riding on the previous years' excitement and success, the Hunger Games committee worked with the Houston Food Bank to help end hunger.

With a goal of raising \$2,500 and filling 8 food bins, the resident staff were split into 6 districts/teams, with a hefty task ahead of them. Over a period of four weeks, employees helped raise over \$4,100 and filled 9 food bins, collecting over 2,100 food items. Employees also volunteered their time and services at the Houston Food Bank by helping to provide over 12,000 holiday meals. We would like to thank each employee for their efforts as this event would not have been as successful without their selfless acts of kindness.



December 15, 2016

The Fayetteville team is getting in the holiday spirit! With a goal of donating 500 meals, employees collected and delivered non-perishable foods to benefit the Second Harvest Food Bank in southeast North Carolina. They exceeded their goal to boot! Thanks for showing you care and sharing your holiday, Fayetteville team!

December 15, 2016

The Louisville and Cincinnati offices have joined forces to help children have a better holiday season this year! So far, they have exceeded their goal of donating over \$1,000 worth of toys towards children in need. The two offices hope to continue to grow the toy drive every year.

Toys for Tots is a program run by the United States Marine Corps Reserve which distributes toys to children whose parents cannot afford to buy them gifts for Christmas. Thank you for supporting Toys for Tots!



December 16, 2016

The NYC office did it again!

Benefiting the Elizabeth Seton Pediatric Center in Yonkers, NY, employees at One Liberty Plaza donated 10 large Santa bags filled with clothes, toys, and bedding. Employees also contributed by donating gift cards, checks and cash to help the Center provide a brighter holiday for the children. The Elizabeth Seton Pediatric Center is a not-for-profit nursing facility that provides long and short-term pediatric, rehabilitative, and palliative care to children from the New York metropolitan area. Thank you for putting smiles on so many children's faces!



December 21, 2016

The Tempe office "adopted" a family in need during this chilly holiday season!

Partnering with the UMOM New Day Center, ABMers collected over \$400 worth of gifts to ensure that the family had a bright holiday. UMOM is located in Phoenix, Arizona and is the largest shelter for homeless families in the state. Special thanks to Yadi Marin, John Salvio and Teresita Layton for coordinating the event.

Pictured (right to left): John Salvio (Project Manager), Jois Padilla (HR assistant), Patricia Bolwahn (Branch recruiter), Daisy Van Meter (HR assistant), Teresita Layton (Branch HR)



December 22, 2016

This holiday season, the Orange County B&I and ABES teams collected and donated over 130 pairs of shoes to benefit Soles4Souls. Soles4Souls is a not for profit global social enterprise committed to fighting poverty through the collection and distribution of shoes. Every day children are prevented from attending school, adults are unable to work, and walking becomes unbearable. A new pair of shoes provides relief in many developing nations around the globe, in times of disaster, and helps bridge the economic gap in the United States. Thank you for supporting our community!





JANUARY 2017

January 9, 2017

Senior Vice President Mike Roppolo recently celebrated his retirement as a volunteer firefighter with the El Dorado Hills Fire Department after 38 years of service. The department threw Lieutenant Roppolo a farewell party with his friends and family in attendance. We couldn't be prouder of Mike and are thrilled about his service and commitment to ABM.

January 11, 2017

When disaster strikes, Senior Vice President Dan Klein is ready to contribute his time to help! After Hurricane Matthew swooped through the east coast of Florida, Dan was asked to provide his support during a Civil Air Patrol search and rescue mission. He was ordered to serve as a pilot, flying low and slow to capture airborne photographs of the damage. Flying for approximately 6 hours, he and his team were able to take over 1,600 photos of roads, bridges, beaches and buildings that were impacted by the storm. The photos were necessary to permit FEMA to make an accurate assessment of the damage and potentially any repair or rescue needs. Dan values his ability to give back to the community and we're glad he was able to support in this critical mission.



MARCH 2017

March 5, 2017

Our ABM Technical Solutions team discovered that several classrooms had lighting that caused teachers to suffer from migraines. Students were also impacted by the lighting with other disabilities. Our team installed LED lighting, an easy fix that can help eliminate these issues for the teachers and students. The students were so appreciative that they made a card for our ABMers! Thanks for all of the hard work from the ABM Technical Solutions team! This card is a reminder that what we do really does make a positive impact on all the students and staff. Also, a special shout out to Darren Dowdy for turning these first couple classroom lighting installs around so quickly.

March 5, 2017

The Seattle office made charitable donations to Footprints of Fight, a local charity that gathers needed items for the families of children who are diagnosed with cancer and have to stay at the Seattle Children's Hospital. With their help, Footprints of Fight was able to deliver approximately 1,600 toys and 100 bags for parents which contained Starbucks gift cards, towels, blankets, soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste and a few other hospital essentials. Seattle ABMers also did a toy/clothing drive for Treehouse, an organization that accepts new and used toys and clothes for foster children in the Pacific NW. They were able to gather enough items to fill the bed and cab of a large truck.

Thank you all for your kindness and generosity for your local community!



March 5, 2017

Our Business & Industry (B&I) team of ABMers in Los Angeles, CA, as well as our ABM Technical Solutions team have taken our commitment to community to a whole new level. The LA team has regularly volunteered their time to feed the homeless at the Emmanuel Baptist Rescue Mission in the heart of Downtown LA's Skid Row. The Mission is a temporary homeless shelter for men that offers overnight accommodations, hot meals, clothing exchange and ministry. After touring the site, our team realized that the property desperately needed help due a lack of maintenance, so they decided to help the mission in "Project Giving Back." The team reached out to other ABM employees in various Industry Groups in LA, as well as ABM vendors, to join forces and improve the overall safety of the building. Collectively, they donated their time and supplies to install new lighting and smoke alarms, and repaired the fire life safety system. In addition, they gave the common areas a fresh coat of paint, upgraded the flooring and added ceiling fans. To top it off, our ABM team has introduced a mentoring program for the homeless, where vocational education and career planning will be provided to those who prove that they are willing and able to participate. We're grateful to have an army of talented people who care about making a difference in their communities by generously donating their time to help those in need. Great work, LA team!



March 21, 2017

Two years ago, an employee watched her husband rally, raise funds, and then shave his head for St. Baldrick's Foundation, a not-for-profit organization with the aim of raising funds to help find cures for children with cancer. The kindness and generosity of those who donated and participated were so inspiring that she decided that she wanted to participate this year. This employee has a soft spot for children, so she shaved her head to help fund childhood cancer research. St. Baldrick's created this head shaving event as a means to help raise funds and awareness in a fun setting that all can participate in one way or another!



March 27, 2017

Since its launch in 1988, Red Nose Day has become something of a British institution. It's the day, every two years, when people across the land can get together and do something funny for money at home, school and work. There's a fantastic night of TV on the BBC, with comedy and entertainment to inspire the nation to give generously. The ABM U.K. team was proud to participate and raise money for this event. The money raised by Red Nose Day helps people living tough lives across the U.K. and Africa.





March 28, 2017

Joe Schwabe, one of our ABMCares Ambassadors in the Atlantic City business improvement district, accepted an invitation to be a guest reader for Read Across America Day in honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. School Complex in Atlantic City. Read Across America Day is an annual event launched to encourage reading to elementary school students and to foster in those students a lifelong love of reading. This year, the local school district reached out to us and our client (CRDA) to see if we would partner with them in this noble cause. As a resident of Atlantic City and the parent of kids in the Atlantic City School system, Joe was a natural fit. By all reports, Joe enjoyed the event and looks forward to participating next year and encouraging other ABMers to join him.



APRIL 2017

April 11, 2017

ABM sponsored the MS Walk in Seattle and ABMers from our Seattle Operations team came out to support the cause. These folks walked alongside and in direct support of “MS Walk Angela.” She is a friend of ABM and the reason we got involved in this event. MS has touched the lives of many of our team members and customers in the Seattle market, which is why raising awareness and funding research around this debilitating disease are causes so close to their hearts.



April 12, 2017

Rick Wood, VP Central Region, currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Epilepsy Foundation of Texas, and was the chairperson for their recent 2017 Houston Stroll for Epilepsy held at the Houston Zoo.

He has functioned as Treasurer, Vice President and President in Houston and, for two years, President for the State of Texas. This was the 26th annual Stroll and the 10th year it was hosted at the zoo. Wood's Stroll team comprised four of his family members and several local ABM colleagues donated to their efforts. In total, Wood's team raised \$2,350 – enough to send two kids with epilepsy to one-week of Camp Spike 'n' Wave this summer!



April 21, 2017

Tod Truettner was honored to participate in the Shoot for Hope as a sponsored tournament archer specializing in 3D archery. The Shoot for Hope supports cancer patients and their families at the Cancer Treatment Centers of America. Tod has personally lost many family members to this horrible disease and has donated many hours in the past supporting charities around this effort.



April 26, 2017

A big “shout out” to ABMers in Spokane, WA who contributed to Spokane Gives 2017. As part of the annual program, the group of seven gave their time to the “Transitions” location for the Women’s Hearth Program, an organization that fosters nurturing relationships, encourages self-determination, and advocates for change in systems that oppress women. Here the ABMers cleaned, organized and assisted with lunch for the day. This is the branch’s first time participating in the program; they learned about it because one of the organization’s representatives works in a building we service. Daneka Keith of Spokane Gives said of the ABM team’s contributions, “giving of money is great and necessary but sometimes it just doesn’t connect to the real needs that exist. Hopefully this will be the beginning of much more to come!”





MAY 2017

May 25, 2017

ABM is proud to have been named Employer of the Year from Goodwill Industries of Greater Cleveland and East Central Ohio. Scott Sedio, Senior District Manager and Kathy Telford, Field Operations Manager for ABM Cleveland accepted the award at Goodwill's Annual Report to the Community Breakfast this spring. ABM received the award for its continued participation and support of Goodwill's Summer Youth Employment Program. Through the Summer Youth Employment Program, ABM welcomed program participant Matt Kover to our team at Belden Village Mall in North Canton, OH. At the same breakfast event, Matt was awarded the "Edgar J. Helms Outstanding Achiever" award.



JUNE 2017



June 6, 2017

NYC employees purchased red noses to donate to the Red Nose Day campaign, helping the initiative to end childhood poverty.

June 8, 2017

As part of an ongoing effort to serve their community through corporate collaboration, our Irvine, CA team made a difference by volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House for the second consecutive year. Their efforts were made possible through ABMCares and the hard work of Customer Relations Manager Thy Wang, who organized the event and its menu. The Ronald McDonald House, based in Orange County, California, provides a comforting “home away from home” for the families of seriously ill children receiving treatment in nearby hospitals. Our team prepared a breakfast of blueberry croissants, pancakes, sausage, fruit salad, and scrambled eggs for a group of 30 people. They exemplify our company's values and the difference we try to make. We're proud to have people like Thy and her team with us!



June 15, 2017

The ABMCares program encourages employees to donate and volunteer to make a difference in their communities. Our San Diego B&I team collaborated with Building Managers and Owners Association (BOMA) members and the Red Cross for the BOMA Blood Drive. ABMers David Vallejo, Josh Boen, Lisa Lasho and Txhor Emblem were an integral part of the success of the blood drive. Their success resulted in more than thirty participants including property managers, vendor partners, BOMA members and ABMers. Blood donations are important so that hospitals can treat patients. ABM is proud of the exemplary community service executed by ABMers!



June 16, 2017

ABM wants to congratulate the Houston Airport (IAH) Human Resources team on its recognition for steady community support. The Aldine Independent School District (ISD) presented our team with this award for their consistent efforts to employ community members. HR representatives Janice Watson and Candy Torres received a plaque and certificate of recognition from the Aldine ISD. ABM strives to make a difference in communities across the country. Through their efforts to engage and give back, Our Houston team exemplifies the impact ABM tries to have in the areas in which we live, work, and play. Great work!



June 16, 2017

Our West Region Risk & Safety team made a difference by creating shower packages for a community homeless women's shelter. The organizers of this event, Joyce Schulman, Kimberly McCubbin, Veronica Mota, Matt McAdoo and Hanson Vu, brought together the entire Risk & Safety team to assemble these shower packages. The West Region Risk and Safety team chose this organization because of how it aligned with the ABM mission, providing over 75 women with showers each day. The Risk & Safety team's efforts demonstrate the difference ABM hopes to make!





June 16, 2017

Dan Burkey and his wife, Patty Burkey are not discouraged by their circumstances. Patty was stricken with Meniere's Disease which affects one's hearing, vision, balance, and lifestyle. Following the terrible news, they established a research fund at the University of Iowa. 95% of donations go directly to the research and possible cure of the disease. Dan and Patty's fundraising efforts include hikes, bike rides and exploring venues in the Pacific Northwest. To date, they raised thousands of dollars for Meniere's Research.



June 16, 2017

The ABMB&I team in Cleveland held a group volunteer project with the Western Reserve Land Conservancy. The Western Reserve Land Conservancy provides the people of their region with natural assets through land conservation and restoration. When the work is done, it will be filled with working farms, healthy cities and prosperous communities nourished by vibrant natural areas. Karen Hitchcox, Brian Bush, Rob Castle, Mark Behrend, Scott Sedio, Cris Stelmach, Dolly Cicic, DeWayne Smiddy, Michael Yashnchack, Doug Krumrei, Steve Brown, Kevin O'Kane and Tyana Hughley participated in the clean-up of debris and invasive plants in and around the 9-mile creek area which feeds into Lake Erie. Their efforts aided in the conservancy of the lake and surrounding area.



June 19, 2017

Twenty-two ABMers made a difference with their efforts to alleviate Orange County's hunger problem. On June 13th, the Orange County B&I and Technical Solutions team harvested vegetables at the Incredible Edible Farm. The volunteers spent nearly three hours harvesting zucchini, green beans, and squash. With more than 335,000 people in the community at risk of hunger, the Incredible Edible Farm was created to help alleviate Orange County's hunger problem.

June 21, 2017

Our Tempe, AZ B&I team made a difference by raising funds for local charity, Saint Mary's Food Bank. Founded in 1967, St. Mary's is proud to be the world's first food bank, and the largest in AZ. A special shout out to Trish Bolwahn and Shelley Shepherd who were instrumental in the collection of funds. The Tempe team's contributions to St. Mary's represent one way they're making a positive impact on their communities.



June 23, 2017

Members of the Kansas City aviation maintenance crew participated in the Annual Tavern On 103rd Golf Tournament to benefit the Ararat Shriners Transportation Fund. The Ararat Shriners are a fraternal order dating back to 1872, who are dedicated to providing care for children and families in need. This was the team's first year participating in the tournament. This philanthropic pursuit was made possible by the efforts of facilities manager Jerome Cowart.



June 26, 2017

40 of our dedicated employees prepared more than 8,000 bags of lunch for kids in local school districts. The lunches provided are the only meals many kids will receive in a day. Lunches of Love is an organization whose mission is to end child hunger in local communities. The payroll team in Texas made an exceptional difference in the lives of more than 8,000 children. The team continues to collect donations to help the cause. Their efforts, in concert with our core values, epitomizes ABM's campaign to make a difference.



June 27, 2017

The Chicago-based Cara program prepares and inspires motivated individuals to break the cycle of homelessness and poverty, transform their lives, strengthen our communities, and forge paths to real and lasting success. ABM has been a proud partner of the Cara program for over 12 years. ABM offers a six-day janitorial services course within the program for its participants. Graduates receive a certificate of completion that enables them to find jobs at many different janitorial services providers – ABM being among the top destinations. Organizations like the Cara program align with our mission of making a difference, every person, every day.



June 28, 2017

ABMers volunteered to make a difference in the Detroit community. Director of Quality and Development, Gary Pollack and Carolin Dwaihy organized the event and lead the team on an exciting initiative to package food which feeds families in need. ABM Healthcare volunteered at the Gleaners Community Food Bank for more than three years. The team was excited to give back to their community and created a friendly competition while packaging the food.







June 29, 2017

The HR team at ABM in New York City makes a difference every Monday and Thursday at a local charity in NYC. They deliver lunch to homebound elderly in the neighborhood surrounding the office.

Encore Community Services' mission is "to provide care and service to the elderly of the Clinton/Times Square/Midtown communities...to assist those who are vulnerable and frail, poor and homeless, homebound and lonely, frequently desperate, most often ignored to help them with their daily need that they might live as independently as possible, with dignity and decency, in a non-institutional manner, in a safe and caring environment."



JULY 2017



July 5, 2017

We'd like to give a shout out to our Northern California High Tech and Technical Solutions teams for coming together. Our team sorted over 12,000 lbs of food for the Alameda County Food Bank. The Alameda County Food Bank's mission is to provide meals for every food insecure child, adult and senior in the area. They send food to 240 nonprofits in the area, equaling roughly 540,000 meals per week.



July 5, 2017

Our San Diego, California B&I and Technical Solutions teams co-hosted a blood drive with BOMA for the American Red Cross. The event saw over 30 participants donate enough blood to save roughly 111 lives. The donors were largely property managers, vendor partners, BOMA members, and ABMers.



July 5, 2017

Every month, our St. Louis Aviation team sells food to raise money for different community organizations.

In two months, they raised almost \$400. Our team's dedication is spreading through the airport. Other companies have begun to participate in this philanthropic event, and our team hopes to eventually involve the entire airport.

July 5, 2017

ABMer Van Wilkins, of the Technical Solutions team in Irvine, CA and his wife were a part of a volunteer effort in Austria. They worked with ethnic Persians, Tajiki's, Afghans, Hazari and Pashto from Afghanistan and Iran who fled their homelands to migrate to Austria. Many walked 5000 Kilometers (more than 3100 miles) from their homelands through Turkey, Greece, Croatia, and Slovenia to get to Austria. They left due to honor killings of young brides, economic problems, and warfare. Over 10 days, Van met more than 265 refugees to hear their stories, provide comfort with religious scripture, to shop for baby clothes and to provide a meal for them to eat.



July 7, 2017

ABMers put our core values into action to make a difference with the youth at Hands In 4 Youth at Camp Vacamas in NJ. Hands in 4 Youth is a nonprofit organization in West Milford, NJ. The team pulled old grass and laid down new sod to repair a baseball field. They also played with the children in a game of kickball.



July 12, 2017

The Technical Solutions team in Canonsburg, PA showed their support for animals that are often abused and abandoned. Animal Friends is a non-profit companion animal resource center serving the needs of pets and people for more than 70 years. The team collaborated to gather items for animal enrichment bags that are provided when the animals find a loving home. ABMers landscaped and graveled a walkway to support the festivities at Animal Friends' grand opening.



July 12, 2017

Our Chicago Metro division volunteered at the Ronald McDonald House in Winfield, Illinois as part of an ongoing effort to make a difference. The Ronald McDonald House provides support services to families with sick children. Our team made a delicious meal of pizza, salad, "some of the best garlic bread ever made," peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, and for dessert, sugar cookies! Our team served this meal to families and their children, and they hope to try cooking pasta next time.



July 13, 2017

A team of ABMers hosted an exclusive hiring event for 12 participants of The Cara Program at ABM's corporate office in Chicago, Illinois. ABM and The Cara Program have a rich history. The 14-year partnership resulted in 250 hired employees. Further, this partnership produced 1,600 graduates of the certificate program. ABMers are regular volunteers of The Cara Program. Their efforts include 6-8 classes and training upwards of 25 participants in each. Our very own Vice President of Sales and Marketing, Adam Klotch, serves on the executive council of The Cara Program and is committed to the initiative's success.





July 17, 2017

ABM U.K promoted the Prince's Trust as an organization to support. The Prince's Trust is an organization that "helps young people aged 11 to 30 get into jobs, education, and training" An ABM U.K. leader stated "There are a huge number of young people in the U.K who come from a disadvantaged background who are incredibly talented but are increasingly overlooked by employers. We believe that ABM U.K can help give some of these people the chance and the start in life that they deserve."



July 17, 2017

For sixteen years, one ABMer supported Buddy-up Fore Kids after his business partner, Buddy Ritchey, was diagnosed with kidney cancer. Buddy-up Fore Kids is an annual golf tournament which supports children of the St. Jude research hospital in Memphis, TN. The initiative began after Buddy's intensive surgery and chemo therapy treatment. Buddy immediately grew empathy for children who suffer from cancer. As a result, he began an annual golf outing to support St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and the Ronald McDonald House. Soon after, Buddy-up Fore Kids was granted 501c3 status and has since donated over \$600,000 to the Ronald McDonald House.



July 17, 2017

ABMers of our Seattle office participated in The Goodwill 'Refuse To Abuse' 5K run around Safeco Field in Seattle, WA. The event benefits Washington State Coalition Against Domestic Violence. The team raised over \$500 and ran through various levels of the stadium.



July 17, 2017

The Atlanta, GA B&I team participated in an American Heart Association fundraising event. The event was sponsored by Mark Hawkinson, B&I VP of the Southeast and several ABMers, clients, and friends attended. The team cycled and made a difference with efforts to prevent heart disease and stroke. The cause hit close to home with the Atlanta team after they lost a co-worker to a heart attack.



July 18, 2017

ABMers in Chicago, IL made breakfast for dinner to support Ronald McDonald House. The team prepared pancakes, french toast, eggs, bacon, fruit salad, orange juice and cereal to serve families of the community. The initiative "helps serve and sustain families when serious illness or injury strikes the cherished part of their lives; their children."

July 18, 2017

Vasey, is a facilities management company in Zionsville, IN and is a member of the Linc Service organization -- an ABM company. Vasey donated and installed HVAC units to Outside of the Box. "Outside of the Box is a community service project founded in 2008 with the hope of providing day services, employment services, and studio art services to individuals with developmental and intellectual disabilities." Outside the Box's mission "is to empower people with disabilities to be the leaders in their lives and create meaningful days."



July 18, 2017

The B&I group in Columbus, Ohio volunteered at the Mid-Ohio Food Bank. The team gathered preset foods based on the size of each family. They organized and assisted the families throughout the entire process to ensure needs were met. Our team truly made a difference in the lives of those who struggle to feed their family.



July 20, 2017

Several members of the ABM Portland team came together to package donated food for the Oregon Food Bank. Collectively, the team bagged and packaged several hundred pounds of bulk food for distribution to various non-profits, shelters and food pantries. ABMers Jonah Jason, Doug Socolofsky- (HR Business Partner), William Lawrence, Trevor Hutchinson, Valerie Robeck and Steve Hayes participated in the event.



July 21, 2017

ABMer Mari Castro of the B&I team in San Jose, CA and her daughter volunteer every other Saturday to support the homeless community of Silicon Valley. They provide tents, clothes, food, water, blankets and sleeping bags for the individuals. Mari and her daughter also spent time with individuals to hear their stories and journeys through the struggle of homelessness. Many of the homeless individuals are employed. However, due to the costs of living in California neighborhoods, it is difficult for families to find an affordable place of shelter for their children. Some of the homeless individuals are living in vehicles to provide temporary shelter.





July 25, 2017

The Atlanta, GA sales team volunteered at Habitat for Humanity to repair and restore a home through the 'A Brush with Kindness Program.' The team assisted a family with yard work and painting the exterior of their home in Lawrenceville, GA. The family consists of two disabled parents who are raising children with autism. Their work truly made an impact on the family and in the community.





July 25, 2017

Kudos to three of our Florida branches – North Florida Golf, South Florida Golf, and Villages Landscape & Janitorial -- for coming together to help soldiers in need. ABMers from these Florida locations sent blankets to deployed soldiers and hospitalized veterans. Soldiers' Angels made our team's efforts possible. Our team spread warmth to soldiers in hospitals and on deployment by sending a total of 40 blankets; twenty went to veterans in Dallas, TX and twenty will be distributed to deployed soldiers in West Palm Beach, FL. Villages B&I office manager Vivica Ussery made these efforts possible by organizing and coordinating efforts between the three branches. ABM is proud to have employees like Vivica and the group she organized who strive to make a difference.



July 26, 2017

David Loeschner of the Houston, TX B&I team donated \$25 to sponsor Rick Wood's family team at the Houston Stroll for Epilepsy in April. Following ABM's launch of the 90 Days to Make a Difference campaign, David decided to make another donation of \$500. He made the donation to the Epilepsy Foundation of Texas, which sponsored one child's trip to Camp Spike 'n' Wave.



July 27, 2017

The Atlanta, GA corporate office volunteered at the Atlanta Community Food bank. The volunteers gathered at the Product Rescue Center to provide any assistance needed with the preparation of quality donated items for distribution at community centers, outreach agencies, churches, and schools. Their service efforts resulted in over 15,000 processed pounds of product which impacts a community of 11,000 individuals.



July 28, 2017

Our Detroit B&I and Building Solutions teams made a difference by volunteering for Forgotten Harvest, a Detroit-area food bank. Our teams helped the food bank by packing cucumbers, beef jerky, bread, and potatoes. They even set a new record by packing eighteen thousand eight hundred and forty pounds of potatoes, beating the previous record of eighteen thousand three hundred pounds.

July 28, 2017

Huge shout-out to our Kalamazoo B&I team for making a difference. Our team raised over five hundred dollars for Crayons4kids, an organization devoted to helping hospitalized children. Kalamazoo B&I chose Crayons4kids because its low overhead means donations mostly go to helping kids. Our team raised money by enacting “Jeans Fridays” in June and July, where a three dollar donation enabled the giver to wear jeans to the office. They also held a car wash on July 14th to bolster their final donation, bringing their total to five hundred and eight dollars!



July 31, 2017

The ABM B&I Tempe, AZ branch participated in a water drive to benefit a local St. Mary's Food Bank in Phoenix, AZ. The team raised \$233 which was used to purchase over 3,000 water bottles that were distributed to Phoenix, AZ's homeless community. Their contribution helped homeless individuals stay hydrated during the summer months.



July 31, 2017

ABM wants to give a huge shout-out to our Chicago B&I team for holding a week-long clothing drive for Pacific Gardens, a Chicago-area missionary organization. Our team organized a clothing drive for Pacific Gardens beginning on July 18th and concluding on July 27th. Their efforts and the subsequent ABMCares Party were made possible by Bryan Engler and Steve Alletag from Human Resources. Many branch employees donated! After the drive, the office had a party complete with an ABMCares cake!



July 31, 2017

Four ABMers from OmniServ undertook Ride London, a 100-mile bike ride through London and the surrounding countryside to raise money for The Change Foundation. The Change Foundation is a multi-award winning charity that engages with marginalized and at-risk young people, facing some of the world's toughest challenges through the power of sport and dance. ABMers Ian Mitchell, Richard Quinn, Paul Williams and Martin Rollings participated in the charity bike event and raised over £700 (\$US 916.63).



AUGUST 2017



August 2, 2017

The Tempe, Arizona team fed more than 20 families whose loved ones received medical attention at the nearby Phoenix Children's Hospital. The team cooked and served the families. Further, they listened to stories and gifted toys to the small children. ABM purchased all of the food served at the event.



August 11, 2017

ABMers in Orange County helped kids and adults in a big way! The team partnered with RADCamp, whose mission is to provide an awesome summer camp for those with developmental disabilities, much-deserved respite for their caregivers and a life changing volunteer experience for the local community. The annual summer camp was held in July, with the first week hosting approximately 330 adults and the last week hosting 220 children & their caregivers. The team donated approximately 150 hours of janitorial services during their camp days. Keeping the facilities (restrooms, grounds, and cabins) clean played an integral role in its success by allowing them to focus directly on the campers. In addition, the team took the time out of their day to volunteer during the lunch hours serving meals to the hungry campers.

August 11, 2017

To support the ABMCares initiative, the Houston Enterprise Shared Services team help our military stay connected. "Cell Phones for Soldiers" is a non-profit organization that provides troops and veterans with free communication services and emergency funding. The team collected more than 60 cell phones, as well as chargers and cases! They also contributed monetary donations via our ABMCares website.



August 16, 2017

The ABM Somerville, MA team recently partnered with the St. Francis House! Scott Flynn, Michael Estrom, Kyle McNamara, Melissa De Jesus, Rudy Munoz, Jose Reyes, Fernando Bicca and Jacqueline Marcos volunteered to help serving food at St. Francis house. After they volunteered, the team embarked on a tour of the premises and found many opportunities for ABM to get involved in helping others!



August 18, 2017

The Houston ABM Aviation team participated in our ABMCares initiative! The team came together to give back to their community and hosted a Back to School Drive for local students. They delivered over 100 backpacks to Teague Middle School and the children were thrilled!



August 23, 2017

Every year, ABM Aviation shuttle employees at the Denver International Airport donate their time to shuttle teams, volunteers, and supporters to and from a Plane Pulling charity event benefiting Special Olympics Colorado. These ABMers help make the event go off without a hitch! HR Manager, Jessica Taylor states "It's days like today that I remember how much fun we have together and how much I love being a part of this ABM Family." This year the Plane Pull event, in which ABM was one of the sponsors, was able to raise over \$140,000 for over 21,000 Special Olympics Colorado athletes and their families!



August 29, 2017

Our Houston team aided in clean-up efforts resulting from Hurricane Harvey. Many buildings in the area had major flooding, but ABM was there to help! Senior District Manager Carmen de la Cruz and Operations Manager Jesus Mercado were among the first to join these efforts.





SEPTEMBER 2017

September 6, 2017

We have been overwhelmed by the collaboration, teamwork and heartfelt compassion we've seen from ABMers as a result of Hurricane Harvey. As just one example, our ABM Aviation team at LaGuardia airport in New York, NY put in place a relief effort to collect supplies for the victims of Hurricane Harvey. As a result of their efforts, the LGA Airport Authority assisted with donations.

September 13, 2017

ABMers in Houston, TX supported team members who were affected by Hurricane Harvey. The team collaborated to setup a donation drop-off site at the ABM Hiring Center at 3800 Buffalo Speedway. Their efforts assisted 30 families with clothes, toys, food and hygiene-related items. The team took the remaining items to a shelter to support those in the community.

September 20, 2017

John Bjorkdahl and the Wallingford, CT team made a difference at Choate Rosemary Hall, a prestigious private school. Each year, the school replaces its dormitory furniture. For the past 15-years, ABM in partnership with Choate Rosemary and the IRN: The Reuse Network transports the furniture to those in need around the world.



Food, Clothing & Shoe Donation Drive

The ABM Team has setup a drop-off location at the ABM Hiring Center at 3800 Buffalo Speedway to collect donations for our co-workers and their families who were displaced and lost their homes and it's contents.





OCTOBER 2017

October 2, 2017

The Atlanta, GA team, along with other volunteers, collaboratively sorted 11,165 lbs. of food and created 8,022 meals for families in need. We salute the team on their community service efforts.



October 16, 2017

The Sugar Land, TX Corporate Tax team made a difference in their community with their efforts to support Kids' Meals in Houston, TX. The team helped organize and open boxes at the warehouse. They prepared lunches which included sandwiches, juice, and snacks.



October 18, 2017

Our CEO along with fellow ABMers volunteered at Encore Community Services. The group partnered with 'Meals on Wheels', a non-profit organization that works to deliver meals to the elderly around Manhattan. Volunteers go directly to their home address and hand-deliver meals to the individuals. Many of the elderly individuals are too sick to get out of bed and cannot obtain food for themselves.



October 23, 2017

As the baseball playoffs shifted into full gear, ABMers in Houston, TX showed their team spirit for a great cause. ABMers had a chance to wear their team's colors, jerseys, and T-shirts for donations. The teams took photos and most importantly donated funds to a charity of their choice.







