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Student Crime Stoppers makes an impact in more areas than just fighting crime.

As a Student Crime Stoppers Board Member, I have had the opportunity to make an impact by helping those in need in my community.

One project I have been able to assist with is the Ector County Independent School District Police Department Blue Santa Initiative. This program assists families in need by supplying them with meals and Christmas gifts during the holiday season. Historically, this program has assisted approximately ten families in meeting their needs every year since 2012.

Each year this program has been able to show student leaders the needs of their community. This knowledge will help build future leaders who have the experience and knowledge to continue to help build up their community.

Serving in this capacity has helped me realize the need for our future leaders to get involved early. We have families in our communities that are struggling to make ends meet and our time and effort can help lessen the burden for these families.

Leadership comes in many forms and fashions. Tomorrow's leaders can learn valuable lessons from today's leaders. There will always be crime and always be people in need, working together we can make an impact on meeting these needs today and help prepare for the future.

As a Student Crime Stoppers State Ambassador, I look forward to having the opportunity to help not only on a local level but on a state level as well.