

Legacy Summary – Crisis Nursery of Effingham

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Crisis Nursery relates to Population and Global Health by providing emergency care to children experiencing a crisis. The organization provides a safe and friendly atmosphere for a child to stay for a short amount of time, in addition to resources such as clothing, toiletries, diapers, formula, food, and toys. Many of these items are very generously donated by members of the community and other healthcare organizations in the Effingham area.

While volunteering for Crisis Nursery, I first participated at their Trivia Night charity event, in which I assisted in collecting 50/50 raffle tickets and cash from teams participating in games. Half of the profits of the event went to Crisis Nursery as the rest were donated to other charitable causes. At the actual Crisis Nursery of Effingham, I sorted through multiple dressers full of children's clothing to ensure every drawer contained clothes of the labeled sizes and came in a pair of a shirt and bottoms. Extra clothes that weren't in pairs were placed into baskets and sorted through in another room to pick out clothes for donation to other organizations in need. The day I helped there were no children in the facility, which allowed myself and staff to have a little more time to focus and work efficiently in sorting the clothing and items in their storage rooms. Doing this provided me with a great opportunity to learn and understand the needs of Crisis Nursery and recipients of their care, along with seeing firsthand the impact this organization has when it comes to providing a safe alternative for families experiencing a crisis.