

# **POVERTY TRACK**

**EPYMN Track Leaders:** Juan Briones, Horizon Christian Fellowship **Ministry/Organizational Partner(s):** Reach and Relieve Ministries

**Track Participation:** At least 10, nor more than 25 (1 adult per 8 students)

**Transportation:** Transportation will be coordinated by EPYMN **Track Needs:** Funds for supply kits for neighborhood Outreach

# TRACK DESCRIPTION

#### What is the issue?

About 1 in 4 El Paso families fall below the poverty line, meaning that without help, they would not have enough money to pay rent, buy food, or manage the daily necessities of life. El Paso is home to one of the poorest zip codes in the nation.

### What is being done about it?

Reach and Relieve provides a variety of services and outreaches to address the poverty issue in the El Paso community, such as food and supply pantries, clothing, shoes, and home good giveaways, and seasonal outreaches (Thanksgiving baskets, toys at Christmas, Back to School supplies and backpacks, etc.). Our goal is to show the love of Jesus to others by meeting practical needs and helping them come to know Him as the ultimate provider of all their needs.

### What will they be doing during IYW?

The Training time will be led by Josh and Nicki, founders of Reach and Relieve. They will share about their experience serving the community through their ministry and how you can serve your own area in the same way.

During the Outreach time, participants will learn different ways to serve the poor and needy in our community. They will assist with food pantry organization and set up, sorting clothing and hanging, serving various needs at the Reach and Relieve ministry building on Montwood Dr. They will also be part of handing out items to families in need.