

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

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Coats4Kids does it again!

Greg Sawko & Company, Denton ISD, Whataburger, and Countless Organizations who came together on December 2 to fill the warehouse with over 1,500 coats for kids to help everyone stay warm during this winter season. As always a Huge Shout-out to all who participated in making this another great success!



Community Outreach and the Purple Bus would like to Thank Everyone for a great successful year. The Blessings your generosity has brought our countless families great joy and a feeling of family, pride, and love. We wish you and yours a Blessed Holiday and may the New Year bring you much love, health, joy, faith, and continued success. We look forward to partnering with you in 2026!

Speaking of Partners – Thank You to Charles Kessler with the Bolivar Masonic Lodge for their Annual Donation of \$1,000 each for Community Outreach and the Linda Tutt Grocery Store

Speaking of Partners - Thank You to Brad Allison and the Sanger Lion's Club for their Annual Donation to the Friday Backpack Program of \$1,000. We couldn't do it without your support!



Speaking of Partners - Thank You to Marv from the Sanger American Legion Post 268 for their donation of food for our Grocery Store and Friday Backpacks! He came showcasing off his beauty... (See the Blue Truck & El Senor Guapo!)

The Sanger Speaker
American Legion Post 268... · 3h · 📍
Sanger Texas is a great community that cares for one another! Marta Chavez is doing Gods work and we all lover her for it. Let's continue to support Sanger and our families! Let's all pitch in and do our parts!
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Our 2025 Story!

In January we recovered from all the Christmas Festivities – from Santa to Snowball fights to lots of treats & eats so that we could get ready to Rock ‘n Roll 2025!

February brought us:

- Sole-mates as Project Hope and Sanger Bank worked together to bring our kids *Shoes for Valentine's Day!*
- Adventure and Story-time on the Purple Bus at Riding the Brand Cowboy Church!
- Grocery Store surprised everyone with *Fresh Veggies!*

March sprang into Spring Break and everyone counted the days - but not before Daylight Savings Time!

- Food Drives began and Sixth Graders brought in 1,559 food items to place in Friday Backpacks
 - Butterfield came in 2nd with 485 items, followed by 3rd place Chisholm Trail with 380 and a surprise by Trinity Cowboy Church they brought in 220 items!
 - Friday Backpacks were FULL!

April began with another Project Hope idea! *Hop to Hygiene* fundraiser lit up to run through May!

- We began our partnership with *Sanger Community Strong Farms* and looked forward to *Fresh Veggies* every week!
- Purple Bus had a Birthday Surprise from Lucy Graham – for her birthday she requested nothing but books to be donated to the Purple Bus and she claimed it at **982 books** in style!
- Lion's Club brought in *Easter Surprise baskets* full of treats for all our Friday Backpack kids!
- Kinder Roundup began

And we are at May already! *End of Year – Graduation – Summer Begins*

Well while we enjoyed the festivities, one was not such a glamorous event – **The Move of Summer 2025!** We moved from Hughes St. to Berry St. at the Old Middle School. We were lucky to have some very kind partners come and help with the move and especially with all the painting that had to be done. We look Beautiful now! *Come see!*

Well summer was short and July hit hot & running to prepare for the new school year! But of course not before we had some adventures on the Purple Bus with Cowboy Bob, Stuff the Bus at First United Bank, Sanger Library, and Back to School Fair! The fair saw 627 Community families, issued 415 School filled Backpacks, 81 haircuts, and over 200 boxes of food provided by Tarrant Area Food Bank. One Highlight and new to our Sanger – we Welcomed “Trooper” to the Sanger ISD Police Force!

And, we're off! August is here and School year 2025-2026 began! My big highlight was I had an actual office with a real desk! *Come see!* August also brought Region 11 to our district for a video they are creating on the awesome job we do at Sanger Community Outreach helping our families. As soon as it gets released you will see it too! I even talked Dr Hunter to go in front of the camera! As always we continue to work with all our campuses on needs for the kids with school supplies, shoes, clothes, food and of course, our Friday Backpacks!

September – brings Fall and Fall brings – Football, Homecoming, Parades and Lots of Cheer on the sidelines!

- Purple Bus started the adventures early – Every Month – One Friday a Month, you can find us at Riding the Brand Cowboy Church with Cowboy Bob!
- We begin planning Food Drives and events – Schools, PTO's, churches, everybody!

October – well October was very special this year as we **“Set the Table”** for so many families to be able to have a great Thanksgiving dinner and everyone showed up right on time!

- We were honored to have Denton Commissioner's Court – Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell and our very own Commissioner Ryan Williams come and deliver Turkey's and Ham's for our Set the Table Event.
- We celebrated our Principals and our Custodian and our Special Spooky Crew

November – We are a Community of Hope and thankfulness!

- Twisted Acres contributed 1,326 food items collected during their Annual Haunted Trail
- We celebrated the grand opening of The Helping House with Pastor Grant Bowles
- Food Drives for Set the Table, LT Grocery Store, and Friday Backpack reeled in over 3,000 food items to be able to continue feeding our community!
- We traveled on the Purple Bus to Sanger Library as they introduced the Tarrant Area Red Food Bank Truck to the community
- A special delight was getting to meet our very own Sanger Book Author – Cowboy Bob McClary – who not only gave the Purple bus his published book, but also placed in it a special Dedication to Sanger Community!

December has arrived and wait till you see how we end it! See you next year for some more fun and exciting stories to tell of the blessings **YOU** bring to our little town of Sanger! Board Presentation on December 15 is attached for more action!



Santa and the Grinch Come To Town!



We had a great time on the Purple Bus at the parade!



Purple Bus And Literacy Family Night at Butterfield Elementary

Literacy Night at Butterfield and the Purple Bus and a Book Fair! What more can anyone ask for? Well of course more books! For these kids – well First-Timers are always fun – they start shy then they leave with books and excitement in their eyes. On the other hand, when you turn six and you lose a tooth, you know what Santa is bringing for Christmas -- but more exciting than that is to see yourself on the famous pictures on the Purple Bus! But even more exciting than that, is finding the secret stash of your favorite mystery chapter books!

Thank you Mrs. Morphis for inviting us to your Literacy Family Night. It was a very good showcase and we enjoyed seeing all the kids!

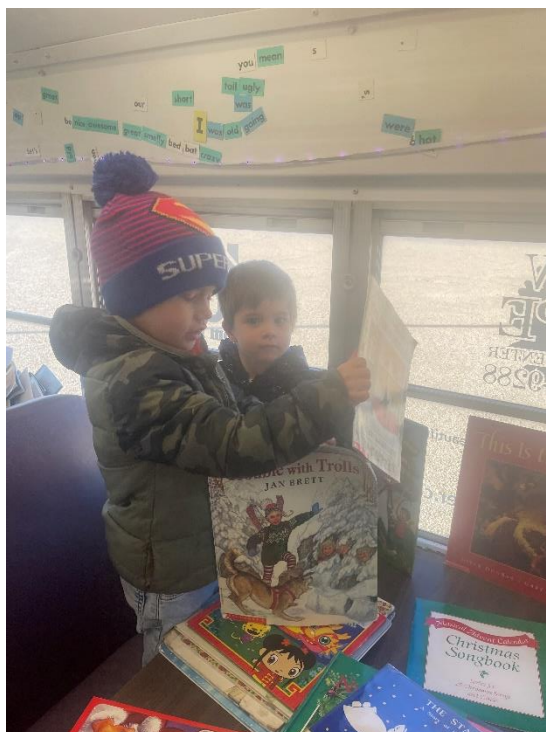
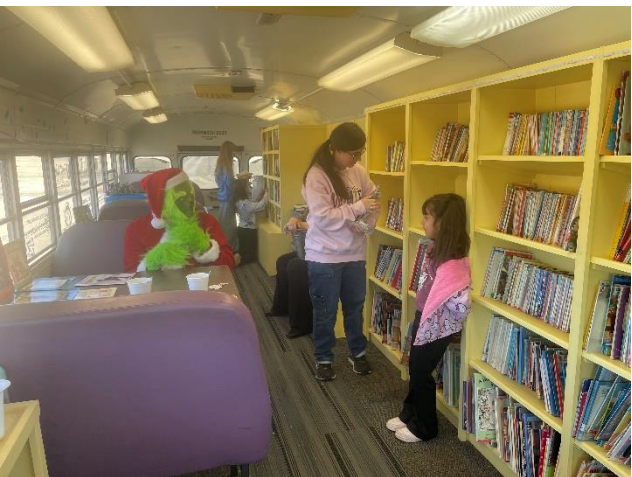


Riding the Brand Cowboy Church

The Purple Bus traveled to Cowboy Land on Friday, December 12 and the Grinch took over!



**Merry Christmas from the Purple Bus
See you in 2026!**



Sharing is Caring!

SANGER FOOD RESOURCES



LINDA TUTT GROCERY STORE
105 N. BERRY ST.
WEDNESDAYS 5:30-6:30
FOOD BOXES

SANGER CRISIS CENTER
100 N. 5TH STREET.
MON, TUES, THURS 12:30PM-4PM
FOOD BOXES

GOD'S TABLE- SANGER FIRST
BAPTIST CHURCH
MONDAYS 5:30P
TAKEOUT MEAL

SANGER FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
MOBILE FOOD PANTRY
FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
10AM

HELPING HOUSE
713 S. 5TH ST. (ACROSS FROM FIRST
BAPTIST)
1ST & 3RD TUES. 11A-7P & WED. 8A-11A

OUTSIDE OF SANGER: TAFB.ORG/FIND-FOOD-MAIN/

Thanks to Denton Bible's great ladies – Ms. Terry and Mrs. Knight – our kids got their famous knitted hats for Christmas and this crispy weather! The kids had so much fun picking out their favorite colors! Thank you ladies for once again (3rd yr. in a row) keeping our smarts in our brains warm!



Mission Sanger
THE HELPING HOUSE
FOOD PANTRY AND CLOTHING RACK
713 S. 5TH Street, Sanger, TX
1st and 3rd Tuesday: 11am - 7pm
following Wednesday: 8-11am

Winter Wonderland!

It's Here! Toys, Pizza, Cookies and MORE!!!!

Dr. Ann Hughes and her Team of Elves does it again!

The line started at 4 and went through to 7 p.m. While they waited in line they got on the Purple Bus and grabbed a couple of books to read at home during the holidays. Inside, the Elves were busy preparing to greet, pack up toys, serve pizza, hot chocolate and the campus worker elves were busy preparing their table from Santa's Workshop. On the other side of the North Pole, Santa was ready to see all the little children and listen to their Christmas wishes! Kids of all ages enjoyed mingling and meeting new friends – like "Trooper"! Thank you to our Secret Santa for providing ALL the Toys for tonight's festivities!





*Rest, Have Fun,
Stay Safe
And
We look forward to
seeing you in
2026!*