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## Local teens donate service to area Boys Hope residence

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With tools and supplies in hand, 27 members of the Beach City Service League of Newport-Mesa helped redo landscaping at the Santa Ana Boys Hope Girls Hope group residence.

BCSL is a nonprofit organization that looks for opportunities like this to invest back into the community. The Boys Hope residence in Santa Ana houses six young men ages 12-18. The Boys Hope teens, with the blessings of their parents, have made the difficult choice to leave their families and live with a residential counselor couple and other teens in pursuit of their dream of getting a good education.

While the BCSL worked on the landscaping, the resident Boys Hope teens were also out helping others, packing up shipping containers to send donated goods to the less fortunate in Honduras.

The highlight of the day was the arrival of the BCSL's handmade 10-inch long picnic table and four five-foot benches to accommodate seating for the many families who regularly visit the Boys Hope group home.

Randy Carr and his wife Sally, grandparents to BCSL teen Clay Carr, purchased and donated all the supplies to create the table and benches.

"A lot of boys these days don't have the opportunity to take woodshop in high school," Carr said, "so was great to expose some of these kids to new skills."

Visit [beachcityserviceleague.com](http://beachcityserviceleague.com) for more information on BCSL or [bhghsocial.org](http://bhghsocial.org) for more information on Boys Hope Girls Hope.



Shane Leggett came out to support his two sons, Connor and Griffin Leggett, at the event.



After the hard shoveling part is over, Mike Moorhead, Willie Pyle, John Davenport and Mason Case enjoy a little sit-down time - but continue by planting flowers in the hanging baskets.



A total of 27 young men of Beach City Service League replaced trees, plants, shrubs and flowers at an area Boys Hope residence



Connor Leggett puts his shovel aside and picks up the hose to give the plants a good soaking



Will Joslin and Peter Russell plant one of many camillas in the front yard.



Filling up one of many heavy bags of old plants are Andrew Boukather, Peter Russell and Kevin Manchester.



Keaton Hirsch and Mason Moody working on the side yard.



From left, John Davenport, Mike Moorhead and Mason Case smile for the camera during a service project at the Boys Hope residence in Santa Ana.



Davis Case and Andrew Boukather decide some plants are healthy enough to recycle.

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