

Hope4Orem With the Rotaract Club at UVU

On January 25th, 2023, I participated in a fundraiser organized by UVU Rotaractors in partnership with Orem-Lindon Rotary Club to raise money for a local Charity called “Hope4Orem”.



McKay Brooks and Winnie Jada during the event

The fundraiser was held for two days, January 25th and 26th, and the goal was to raise funds for the \$500 high school scholarship program. I was able to volunteer on the 25th. The Rotaract Club is a great way for students to serve their communities. According to the Hope4Orem website, it is a nonprofit organization with the primary

goal of establishing Hope Squads in every school in the city of Orem. The main goal of these Hope Squads is bring awareness to mental health and also advocate for suicide prevention. Utah is one of the states with the highest suicide rates and having organizations like Hope4Orem is very necessary and important.

Being able to volunteer for this cause was such a great opportunity and a way to serve others in the community. Through meeting with people while tabling, we were able to also tell them more about Hope4Orem and the work that they do for people in the community. Volunteering was also a way of practicing Student Engaged Learning because I worked with my classmates; Stephan Atkinson, Tristin Smith, Rusden Scott, Alitha Thompson, and McKay Brooks. Through the Student Engaged Learning Model students are able to work together to find solutions that affect our communities and us as individuals.

Jokudu Jada (Winnie), Political Science/Global Politics student, UVU