

NVFS Volunteer Voice - Jan. 2018



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The Power of NVFS Volunteers



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6,327
volunteers gave



79,492
hours of service

That much time
is equivalent to

9 years

or

\$2.3 million in value

The Power of NVFS Volunteers: 2017 in Review

Fifty thousand shelter meals served. Ninety-two percent of Head Start students ready for kindergarten. An 87 percent average salary increase for Training Futures graduates. See our incredible collective impact at a glance.

Our 2017 Impact

Support Families in Need in Northern Virginia

Join us on Saturday, March 10, for our annual [Strikes for Stronger Families Bowl-a-thon](#) to help strengthen families in the Greater Prince William area. You can:

- [Create a team](#)
- [Volunteer](#) your time
- [Donate](#) to support NVFS' SERVE Campus and continue to help our neighbors in need build brighter futures



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Engaging Families in Service Through Village of Impact

NVFS is committed to providing a better village in which all Northern Virginians can raise our families. Will you join the village today?

January's Village of Impact event will focus on Early Childhood Education. Participants at the Jan. 15 event will engage in a family service project supporting early childhood education, and learn about the importance of social, emotional and educational development during the first five years of a child's life from experts in the field.



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Volunteer Spotlight

When **Faustina Dinh** began looking for ways to fill her free time after school, she knew she wanted to make an impact in her community, and that's when she found NVFS.

"Volunteering with NVFS made me realize that I don't have to travel to a [developing country] to help someone in need," said Faustina. **"Many families in this area here need support in all different aspects of life!"**



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Top Volunteer Needs

**Point in Time
(PIT) Count**
Manassas, Va.

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**Meal Providers
(Brunch)**
Manassas, Va.

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**Meal Providers
(Dinner)**
Manassas, Va.

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**Head Start
Classroom Volunteer**
Arlington, Va.

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**Thrift Shop
Helper**
Centreville, Va.

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**Administrative
Volunteer**
Oakton, Va.

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Spreading Holiday Cheer Through Team-Building and Volunteering

Thank you to **Swissport** for selecting NVFS for its Service Day. Swissport employees helped out at NVFS' Hunger Resource Center (HRC) and Centreville Thrift Store. Volunteers also spent the morning at NVFS' Head Start center in Arlington reading books to the children and helping them make paper airplanes. Thank you, Swissport!



Thank you to longtime community partner, **Capital One**, for hosting a toy drive for Gifting for Families, as well as assisting NVFS onsite for our event. Your contributions helped provide the magic of the holidays to more than 2,200 children in Northern Virginia.

Giving the Gift of Hope During the Holiday Season



Thank you to all of the volunteers and donors who supported NVFS' holiday drives by donating your time, funds and efforts to both **Operation Turkey** and **Gifting for Families**.

Operation Turkey filled 1,200 bags to be distributed to our neighbors to enjoy a festive holiday meal.

Gifting for Families provided gifts to more than 2,200 children in Northern Virginia through contributions and in-kind donations.

Combined, Operation Turkey and Gifting for Families served more than 3,400 people in our community. We couldn't have done it without you.

Top Donation Needs

Our top donation needs include new baby items: formula, diapers, wipes, diaper cream, bottles and baby toys such as rattles.

[See More Donation Needs](#)

Events & Opportunities at NVFS

**Village of Impact
Service Day**
Monday, Jan. 15

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**Training for New
Foster Parents**
Saturday, Jan. 27

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**Strikes for Stronger
Families Bowl-a-thon**
Saturday, March 10

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