



# Civic and Faith Volunteer Partnerships Engagement Opportunities

## Year-round Group Volunteer Opportunities

### **Shelter Meals Catering – 2 Shelters (Manassas & Woodbridge)**

Times: Weekends & Holidays • Group Size: 6- 8 people • Contacts: Julie Martinez

Provide a weekend or holiday brunch or dinner meal for residents at one of our homeless shelters. Meals can be made off-site and delivered or volunteers may bring ingredients and prepare onsite. Includes serving the meal and cleaning up after the meal. Must be 16 years old to prepare food in the kitchen.

### **Head Start & Early Head Start Learning Activities – Anytime of year (Arlington, VA & Manassas, VA)**

Times: Weekdays from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. • Group Size: up to 25 people • Contact: Annie Arroyo

Select a theme, then plan, coordinate and facilitate a special educational or recreational program for 3-5 year olds at our Head Start Center. It could be a multicultural event, seasonal festival, mini Olympics, puppet show, or any other creative ideas you have.

### **Hunger Resource Center – SERVE (Manassas, VA)**

Times: Mon-Fri 10a.m.-4p.m. • Group Size: 10-12 people • Navara Cannon

Sort donations and organize according to type of food, portion large food packages into family-size quantities, restock food on shelves, rotate foods to ensure those with soonest expiration date are used first, and more.

### **Clock Tower Thrift Shops (Centreville & Falls Church, VA)**

Times: Open every day, times are flexible • Group Size: up to 12 people • Contact: Annie Arroyo

Sort and organize incoming donations, tag items for sale, and ensure shopping area is organized and that items are displayed in proper places.

### **Campus Freshen Up – SERVE (Manassas, VA) & Hilda Barg Shelter (Woodbridge, VA)**

Times: Flexible, weekday or weekend • Group Size: up to 40 people • Contact: Navara Cannon & Julie Martinez

Tasks vary depending on the time of year and current need, but can include: power-washing buildings and sidewalks, cleaning windows, painting, landscaping, shelving books, sorting food, organizing storage, preparing meals, and more.

## Special Drives

### **Back-to-School Drive – early thru mid-August (mostly in Chantilly, VA with 1-2 days in Manassas, VA)**

Collection: Set up donation boxes at the office to collect supplies thru the end of July. • Contact: Jamie Johnson

Volunteering: Weekdays early thru mid-August • Group Size: up to 15 people • Volunteer Contact: Annie Arroyo

Sort and organize school supplies, stuff backpacks with supplies and label for client distribution. On-call drivers are also needed to assist with transportation of donations.

### **Operation Turkey Drive – late October thru mid-November (Manassas, VA)**

Collection: Set up donation boxes at the office to collect food October to mid-November. • Contact: Jamie Johnson

Volunteering: the Thursday after the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday for one week, times vary • Group Size: up to 30 • Navara Cannon

Sort and organize food donations, prepare meal packages, and distribute to clients; lifting and bending required.

### **Gifting for Families Drive – early thru mid-December (Chantilly, VA)**

Collection: Set up donation boxes at the office to collect gifts and Target/Walmart gift cards. • Contact: Jamie Johnson

Times: Monday-Friday in mid-December, times vary • Group Size: up to 12 people • Contact: Annie Arroyo

Sort and organize toy donations, categorize gifts by age group, and help arrange toy closet for gift distribution. On-call drivers are also needed to assist with transportation of donations.

### **“Adopt-a-Program” Drives – any time of the year (throughout Northern Virginia)**

Pick a theme or NVFS program to support and coordinate a donation drive for a set period of time. It could be a summer food drive, diapers and wipes drive for low-income families, metro card/bus token drive for Training Futures trainees, hygiene kits, “anything goes” for the thrift shops or any other idea you dream up! Project can also include a volunteer activity assembling packages or sorting and organizing the collection. Contact: Jamie Johnson

## **Special Events**

### **Empty Bowls: A Concert to SERVE Our Community – October 2018 (Manassas, VA)**

Times: 2 – 5 p.m. • Group Size: 3-4 people • Contact: Karen Horowitz

Assist with event set up, guest check-in, general monitoring during the event and event clean-up.

### **CARE Awards Breakfast – November 2018 (Hilton McLean Tysons)**

Times: 6 – 10 a.m. • Group Size: up to 10 people • Contact: Annie Arroyo

Assist with event set up, check in guests and distribute name badges, collect business cards for raffle, distribute event goodies, manage coat check-in, collect name badges at end of event and assist with clean up.

### **Strikes for Stronger Families Bowlathon – Saturday, March 10, 2018 (Bowl America, Manassas, VA)**

Times: 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. • Group Size: up to 10 people • Contact: Navara Cannon

Assist with event set up, welcoming teams and directing them to their lanes, bowling team check-in, calculating individual and team winners and assisting with clean up.

### **Road to Independence Gala – Friday, May 11, 2018 (Hilton McLean Tysons)**

Times: 5 – 10 p.m. • Group Size: up to 10 people • Contact: Annie Arroyo

Assist with event set up, greet guests and direct them to check-in, assist guests with mobile bidding, sell mystery boxes, prepare for and assist with silent auction close-out and event clean-up.

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