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The True Value of Corporate Engagement

Corporate social responsibility (CSR) is not an emerging trend. It's a critical aspect of successful businesses that includes engaging employees through service projects, giving-back programs and volunteer leadership in their local community.

"It's a great team-building opportunity for employees, allows the company to make a significant impact in as little as one half-day service project, and it's a great way to get volunteers out in their community to better understand its needs," states Karen Horowitz, NVFS director of community and volunteer engagement.

Learn more about the benefits of corporate engagement, and the impact it has on both employees and the community.

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Committing to Volunteerism

Corporate volunteer opportunities are not only an excellent team-building opportunity; they also offer employees a chance to get more involved in their local community. **Nuance Communications'** investment in corporate volunteer events included an early experience at NVFS' Head Start Center in Arlington, followed by a second event at NVFS' SERVE Campus in Manassas.



After volunteering at those two events, **Debbie Fitzpatrick**, marketing coordinator for the company's health care division, decided she wanted to invest even more time to helping her neighbors. Learn how her first experiences with NVFS inspired her to become a weekly volunteer.

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Community Engagement Strategies for Engaging Top Talent

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Thursday, Nov. 8 • Sheraton Premiere Tysons Corner

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Celebrating Our Partnership With Parties 2 Inspire

At NVFS, we are always impressed with the creativity and enthusiasm our volunteers bring to their experiences through our programs. They're always delighted to help and eager to put a smile on someone's face. **Parties 2 Inspire** is no exception, with its energetic dance parties, engaging children's activities and all around family fun.



Hawanya Turner, president at Parties 2 Inspire, shares how the organization enjoys giving back through NVFS and some of her favorite experiences.

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Top 3 Volunteer Needs

Shelter Passenger Drivers
SERVE Family Shelter

[Manassas](#)

Food Recovery Driver
Hunger Resource Center

[Manassas](#)

Bilingual Receptionist
Multicultural Center

[Falls Church](#)

Support Hungry Families Through SERVE It Up

With 1 in 15 Northern Virginians at risk for hunger, food assistance is a critical resource for families in need to ensure they have access to healthy meals.

Support NVFS' Hunger Resource Center (HRC) this fall by pre-ordering bags online by Oct. 17, which will be available for pickup at our SERVE Campus or Oakton headquarters the following week. Bags will also be distributed to clients seeking service at the HRC to take plenty of nutritious items home with them.



**Bringing
Food to
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Cheers to Our Volunteers: September 2018



Thank you to our September volunteers, who engaged kids in story time, outdoor play, art and cultural activities — just to name a few events. They packed hundreds of activity kits to entertain and delight our youngest clients.

Our wonderful supporters also gave our shelter guests a boost with new bras and stylish tote bags to hold their belongings, and helped keep our Hunger Resource Center and Falls Church Thrift Store well stocked and organized.

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Events & Opportunities at NVFS

SERVE It Up
*Benefiting NVFS' Hunger
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Thursday, Nov. 8

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Top Donation Needs

Head Start & Early Head Start: Pull-ups and pants for ages 3-5 boys & girls; diapers (all sizes); baby wipes

Healthy Families: Baby-proofing supplies; new or gently used baby clothes

Housing: Air mattresses; metro cards; basic home necessities

SERVE Campus (general): Storage shed; baby clothing (up to 5T); diapers; wipes; toiletries

- **Hunger Resource Center:** Cereal; macaroni and cheese; boxed meals (Hamburger Helper, etc.); canned fruit; applesauce; canned meat; condiments; ravioli and other canned pastas



- **SERVE Family Shelter:** Small to medium-sized pumpkins that can be painted; new pillows; diapers (sizes 3, 4 and 5); Pull-ups; wipes; laundry detergent; toilet paper; paper towels; full-size lotion; men's and women's deodorant; bus tokens / transportation passes

Training Futures: Check out our Amazon wishlist [here](#).

A complete wish list of items can be found [here](#).

See More Donation Needs

More Volunteer Needs

<p>Shelter Meal Providers SERVE Family Shelter</p> <p>Manassas</p>	<p>Bilingual Client Intake for Food Assistance Hunger Resource Center</p> <p>Manassas</p>	<p>Learning Club Volunteers SERVE Family Shelter</p> <p>Manassas</p>
<p>Food Assistance Specialist Hunger Resource Center</p> <p>Manassas</p>	<p>Program Eligibility Screener Community Housing</p> <p>Oakton</p>	<p>Classroom Volunteer Early Head Start</p> <p>Arlington</p>



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