

RSVP
Partner sites and Volunteer Opportunities

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COUNTY-WIDE/OTHER LOCATIONS:

American Red Cross – serving King & Kitsap counties in disaster relief and disaster preparedness. ARC has many volunteer jobs available, some of them are:

Disaster Action Team, Client Case Worker, Shelter Worker, Feeding Associate, Material and Support Services, Public Information Officer, Disaster Mental Health, Disaster Health Services, First Air and Station Team, CPR/First Aid/AED Trainer, HIV/AIDS Basic Education Trainer, Community Disaster Education Instructor, Youth Specific Preparedness Instructor, Language Services, Administrative Support, Community Outreach Volunteer, Development Support, Grounds and Maintenance, Mailroom Associate. **All Disaster training is free.** Please call RSVP for more detailed job descriptions.

Apple Corps – A program of Solid Ground. We need volunteers to present or assist with nutrition and cooking lessons to group of children at Seattle elementary schools and community centers during the school day and at after-school programs. Volunteers support staff with hands-on education as well as set-up, food preparation, and clean-up. Volunteers may also assist with developing lesson plans or resource development.

Big Brothers Big Sisters – Celebrating 50 years as the premier youth mentoring organization in Western Washington, BBBS matches children with mentors in either school or community based programs. Mentors can meet their matches once a week at school, or 2 to 3 times per month in a community setting. How much of a difference can a mentor make in the life of a child? You'd be amazed!

Circle of Friends for Mental Health – this wonderful group provides help and sharing for mentally disabled people through art. Share your art expertise, or be a helper. Classes offered at several facilities.

ElderHealth - Help relieve isolation among homebound elders through friendly visits. ElderFriends seeks people in the community who can visit twice monthly and keep in close contact with an elder friend through letters and phone calls. We especially need volunteers to visit with elders living in the Bellevue/Eastside and South King County areas. Training and ongoing education/support for volunteers provided.

Executive Service Corps - ESC offers consulting, coaching, facilitation and leadership development services to nonprofit agencies and schools. We are currently are looking for a Membership Manager to recruit and invite potential volunteers to orientations and help the director find good placements.

Habitat for Humanity – we build hope and communities by building homes with volunteer labor, selling them, at cost with no profit and no interest, to working families in Seattle and South King

County. Our volunteer needs are construction workers, retail help at our Home Improvement outlet, office help and event preparation.

King County Dependency CASA- Be the most powerful voice for an abused child as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA). Operate your own schedule, investigate and assess case facts and recommend to the court a course of action that focuses on a child's well being. CASAs are provided extensive training and consistent backup support.

King County Library System Words on Wheels - Do you like to read? Please share your love of reading and libraries with a shut-in or adult family home by delivering library materials once a month to one of King County Library System Traveling Library Center Words on Wheels patrons. The time commitment is about 2-4 hours a month.

King County Library System Study Zone - needs dedicated volunteer tutors. Use your skills in math, science, English, social studies, study methods and more! Help K-12 students with their homework questions and direct students to additional resources in the library. Volunteers should be comfortable in all subject areas up to the 6th grade level and proficient in 1 or 2 subject areas at the college-prep level. The program is available at KCLS libraries throughout King County. The commitment is 2 hours one day per week for one academic semester (September-January or February-June). Training provided.

King County Police – There are numerous volunteer opportunities and needs within different areas of the King County Sheriff's office. Please help keep our neighborhoods safe and take part of this rewarding opportunity.

Long Term Care Ombudsman Program – a program of Solid Ground. Advocate for Nursing Home Residents' Rights: become a certified Long-Term Care Ombudsman. Volunteer ombudsmen promote and protect the rights, dignity, safety and quality of life of elders in long-term care through advocacy and outreach. Volunteers are trained in Residents' Rights and Advocacy, and matched with a local long-term care facility. Training and ongoing support provided.

Multifaith Works – Help support people living in isolation and loneliness due to life-threatening illness, recovery from drugs/alcohol addiction, and inmates in local jails/prisons or family members grieving the loss of a loved one. Volunteers provide one-to-one emotional support or work as a member of a Care Team to provide community, friendship and practical support.

Partners in Caring – A program of Solid Ground. We are in need of people to help deliver groceries to our elderly and low-income housing community. Volunteers will meet at Solid Ground in the Wallingford area to load groceries and then go out in teams to deliver to Seattle Housing Authority buildings.

Puget Sound Blood Center - Become part of the lifesaving link that delivers blood to patients in need in your community. Puget Sound Blood Center is seeking friendly and flexible volunteers to greet and register donors in our computer system, and to assist donors after their donation while providing refreshments. Our blood centers and mobile blood drives are located across King County, and full training is provided for each position.

Reading to Pre-School Children: Special Opportunity with United Way of King County - United Way is recruiting 100 volunteers to read aloud to pre-school aged children (ages 3 to 5), one-on-one or in very small groups, in 20 select child care programs throughout King County. You will be asked to commit to 1 hour/week between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm for 9 months. You will have a choice of area, time, and facility. United Way will provide training and supervision. Helping

children be ready to learn has proved to be one of the best ways to ensure success in school and life!

Senior Services-Volunteer drivers needed to transport seniors to medical appointments during the weekdays. The transportation program is flexible. Drive your own car and choose the times and areas you'd like to drive!

Sound Steps - is offered through Seattle Parks Senior Adult Programs. Volunteers are needed to help set up and run walking groups throughout the city. This is a FREE, year-round program to connect walkers, and give them tools and encouragement to keep exercising while enjoying the outdoors and other great people!

Starlight Children's Foundation (Redmond) - has a mission to help seriously ill children and their families through entertainment, education and activities. They are currently looking for volunteers to help with general office duties. These opportunities are available during their office hours of 9am to 5 pm and require a time commitment of 2 to 4 hours per week. Also needed are seasonal Santa Claus volunteers. They also have an on-going project in their warehouse that involves organizing and sorting toys collected during the holiday toy drive, a perfect opportunity for individuals or groups and can be a one time or on-going commitment.

Study Buddy Literacy Tutoring Program - Study Buddy matches volunteer tutors with children in grades K-8 who are in need of academic support. Our organization provides training, placement, and ongoing support to volunteers. Area schools are in need of committed, caring individuals with the desire to make a difference in the life of a child. Commitment is one hour per week through the school year.

Taproot Foundation – Work on a team of professionals who volunteer on 5 to 6 month projects for non-profit organizations, better equipping these organizations to help our communities effectively. Projects may include creating websites, branding strategies, key messaging, naming services, visual identities, printed brochures, annual reports, donor databases, human resource programs and strategy management services.

United Way Reader Program – To help prepare young children to succeed in school, United Way of King County has mobilized volunteers from the community to read aloud to young children throughout King County as part of its Volunteer Reader Program. If you like kids and want to have a meaningful impact in our community, we want you to be a Volunteer Reader. Training is provided, and we ask that you be able to commit one hour per week, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., on a weekday, for a minimum of six months. United Way works with 39 sites throughout the county.

VA Puget Sound Health Care System-Home Respite Care volunteers are needed county-wide! This important volunteer position provides friendship and companionship to homebound veterans while also providing support and respite for caregivers.

Volunteer Chore Services - seeks volunteers to assist a low-income elder or adult living with a disability with housework, yard work, cooking, shopping, or transportation. Volunteers choose day/time/location. New opportunity: Phone Buddies Program. Bring joy and companionship to an isolated elder or disabled adult by having a phone conversation once or twice a week. Many of these adults no longer have the friendships they once had and would greatly benefit from regular communication with someone like you!

Washington Reading Corps – Help elementary schools run reading programs assisted by VISTA and AmeriCorps volunteers. Volunteer tutors may help by reading with children one-on-one or in small groups. Training provided.

Washington Wilderness Coalition – Help preserve and restore wild areas in Washington State through citizen empowerment, support for grassroots community groups, advocacy and public education. Volunteer jobs include office work, event planning, business plan developer, historian, librarian, newsletter editor and volunteer coordinator.