



Volunteering Opportunities Directory

Looking for ways to get involved? Here are some volunteering organization near the Detroit/Dearborn area! Know of an organization that'd be perfect to add to the list? Email engagement@umich.edu with the information below.

**Please be aware that the information regarding each of these organizations was collected from their websites and can be subject to change.

Gleaners

Website: [Gleaners- Volunteer](#)

Type of Volunteering: Individual and Group

Opportunities:

** For individual open shifts, visit the Gleaner's website to view shifts. Groups may contact **Julie Ptasznik** at jptaszni@gcfb.org.



Distribution Centers:

1. Detroit:

- Up to 30 volunteers needed per shift.
- Individuals & Groups of 9 or Fewer. Each group member should register individually.
- Groups of 10 or more. Please complete a shift request form and a Gleaners volunteer coordinator will contact you to schedule your group's shift. Up to 30 volunteers needed per shift.
- Contact: **Amar Qaddoumi** | hmanela@gcfb.org 866-453-2637 ext.293

2. Livingston:

- Up to 10 volunteers needed per shift.
- Individuals & Groups Up to 10. Each group member should register individually.
- Contact: **Roni Lundy** | livvol@gcfb.org 866-453-2637 ext.331

3. Taylor South:

- Up to 30 volunteers needed per shift.
- Individuals & Groups of 9 or Fewer. Each group member should register individually.
- Groups of 10 or more. Please complete a shift request form and a Gleaners volunteer coordinator will contact you to schedule your group's shift. Up to 30 volunteers needed per shift.
- Contact: **Amar Qaddoumi** | hmanela@gcfb.org 866-453-2637 ext.293

My Neighborhood Mobile Grocery:

- Individuals & Small Groups. Each group member should register individually. Up to 5 volunteers needed per shift.
- Contact: **Julie Ptasznik** | jptasznik@gcfb.org 866-453-2637 ext.245

Food Pantries:

1. Mercado Food Hub Pantry-Detroit

- Up to 12 volunteers needed per shift.
 - Individuals & Groups of 9 or Fewer. Each group member should register individually.
 - Groups of 10 or more. Please complete a shift request form and a Gleaners volunteer coordinator will contact you to schedule your shift.
 - Contact: **Julie Ptasznik** | jptasznik@gcfb.org 866-453-2637 ext.245

2. Mobile Pantry at FREC 2- Detroit

- Individuals & Groups of 8 or Fewer. Each group member should register individually.
- Contact: **Julie Ptasznik** | jptasznik@gcfb.org 866-453-2637 ext.245

3. Shared Harvest Pantry- Howell

- Individuals. Please complete an interest form. When an opportunity becomes available, we will contact you.
- Contact: **Roni Lundy** | livvol@gcfb.org 866-453-2637 ext.331

Livingston Victory Garden- Brighton

- To ensure we our offering a safe environment for all volunteers and staff, we are limiting the total number of individuals to 3 who can volunteer on the same shift. Groups or individuals from the same family will be limited to 5 people per shift.
- Contact: **Stephanie Rock Nerby** | snerby@gcfb.org 866-453-2637

Other opportunities:

- Visit their website.

Southwest Detroit Environmental Vision

Website: SDEV-Volunteer

Types of Volunteering: Individual and Group

Opportunities:

SDEV offers a number of volunteer activities for groups and individuals.

- Volunteer at Cadillac Urban Gardens, Scarcyny Park, or the Merritt St Orchard. Assist at one of SDEV's many clean-up or beautification events.
 - For more information, send an inquiry to our Environment and Community Sustainability Specialist **Dolores Perales** at dolores@sdevweb.org or call 313-926-9398 to schedule a time to come in.



Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit

Website: [BBBS-Detroit Volunteer](#)

Types of Volunteering: Individual but may inquire about group opportunities

Opportunities:

You may need to sign up individually and are required to fill out to an inquiry form:

- Community volunteer opportunities with varying levels of commitment:
- Assist at Big training or social events, fundraising events, Big Little social events, distribute resources to Little families (Backpacks, toys, clothes, etc.), or perform volunteer leadership role in one of the above categories.
- Contact for more info: 313-309-0500 | bbbsinfo@bbbsdetroit.org



Project Healthy Community

Website: [Project Healthy Community- Volunteer](#)

Types of Volunteering: Individual

Opportunities:

- To volunteer fill out the form on their webpage or contact:
 - **Karen Rubenfire** at 248-892-4585 for more info on volunteer opportunities.
Email krsherbin@projecthealthycommunity.org



The Greening of Detroit

Website: [Greening of Detroit - Volunteer](#)

Types of Volunteering: Individual but may inquire about group opportunities

Opportunities:

- Volunteers can help plant trees, clean up parks, and garden work at their urban gardens. Fill out contact form on their webpage or contact (313) 237-8733 | info@greeningofdetroit.com.



Children's Hospital of Michigan

Website: [Children's Hospital of Michigan - Volunteer](#) and [Children's Hospital of Michigan - Group Volunteer](#)



Types of Volunteering: Individual and Group

Opportunities:

1. Children's Hospital of Michigan is accepting applications for future volunteer opportunities. Volunteer activities may include: playing or interacting with children in the activity centers or in their rooms, reading to children in the various clinics and units in the hospital, visiting children with your certified pet therapy dog and, art cart activities
 - Visit their page to fill out volunteer application or contact (313) 745-1010 | chmvolunteers@dmc.org for more information.
2. Group volunteer projects:
 - Everyone in the group must be at least 18 years or older. Groups will be limited to 4 members or less. Visits can be scheduled for Monday through Friday only. Groups are generally invited to visit patients in our lobby, activity centers and outpatient clinic areas depending on the activity.
 - For further information, please contact our Child Life Project Specialist at (313) 745-5364.

Alternative For Girls

Website: [Alternative For Girls - Volunteer](#)

Types of Volunteering: Individual and Group opportunities

Opportunities:

1. There are some limitations on volunteer opportunities available. We encourage you to contact them for further information.
 - [Volunteer Opportunities pdf](#)
2. Group volunteer opportunities:
 - Family, friends, and colleagues are welcome to volunteer together at Alternatives For Girls for a one-time project or special event.
 - Please contact Christina Ramsey, Volunteer Services Manager, at cramsey@alternativesforgirls.org | 313-361-4000 (ext. 248)
 - Volunteer Services Department volunteering@alternativesforgirls.org



Arts & Scraps

Website: [Arts & Scraps - Volunteer](#)

Types of Volunteering: Individual and Group opportunities

Opportunities:

Currently offering remote volunteering and in person group volunteering.
Please visit their [VolunteerMatch page](#) to see most current opportunities.
Or visit their page and fill out an inquiry form.

- In-person volunteer groups (3-10 people) at Arts & Scraps location.
 - Contact the Volunteer Coordinator at volunteers@artsandscraps.org | call 313-640-4411 (ext. 5)



Focus: Hope

Website: [Focus Hope - Volunteer](#)

Types of Volunteering: Individual and Group opportunities

Opportunities:

1. Packing Food Boxes for Seniors

- Individuals and/or groups with up to 25 people to package boxes of food.
- Hours: Tuesday -Thursday 9:00am-12:00pm or 1:00pm-4:00pm *limited Saturday's
 - Contact volunteer@focus.edu

2. Food Center Distribution

- 2-5 volunteers to assist with greetings recipients and loading the vehicles using safe practices and social distancing.
 - Visit their website for different distribution locations: Westside, Eastside, Inkster



Brilliant Detroit

Website: [Brilliant Detroit - Volunteer](#)

Types of Volunteering: Individual and Group opportunities

Opportunities:

Volunteer opportunities range from

- Virtual literacy tutoring, Chandler Park Food Distribution, Host a Toy Drive or Winter Clothing Drive for children.
 - Contact Brilliant Detroit at 313-483-8992 | info@brilliantdetroit.org



Teen Hype

Website: [Teen Hype - Volunteer](#)

Types of Volunteering: Individual but may inquire about group opportunities

Opportunities:

- Become a member of our PROMISE COALITION, be an event volunteer, host or join a fundraising effort to support Teen HYPE's program, become a guest speaker/ facilitator and share your expertise with our Peer Educators
 - Contact **Dorothy “Dee” Smith**, Senior Manager of Development, at (313) 831-8336 | dorothyhk@teenhype.org



Bridging Communities

Website: [Bridging Communities - Volunteer](#)

Types of Volunteering: Individual but may inquire about group opportunities

Opportunities:

Volunteer sign-up on their page.

- Contact (313) 361-6377



Forgotten Harvest

Website: [Forgotten Harvest - Volunteer](#)

Types of Volunteering: Individual and Group opportunities

Opportunities:

Limited number of volunteer opportunities open. Visit their webpage for opportunities available.

1. Royal Oak Warehouse

- Volunteers are needed to help pack emergency food boxes that will be distributed through Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb County. These opportunities are Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–noon and 1-4 p.m. at the Royal Oak warehouse. Up to 15 people.

2. Forgotten Harvest Farms in Fenton, Michigan!

- Can register Individually in website or for group volunteering, email Lori Setera.
 - The farm accommodates groups of up to 50. Register through our farm volunteer coordinator at **Lori Setera** atlsetera@forgottenharvest.org or (248) 302-7472.

3. Other opportunities

- There are always ways to help out at Forgotten Harvest. If you don't see a specific opportunity of interest, contact our volunteer manager at volunteer@forgottenharvest.org



Art Road

Website: [ArtRoad - Volunteer](#)



Types of Volunteering: Individual but may inquire about group opportunities

Opportunities:

Art Road Nonprofit's mission is that children throughout southeastern Michigan will have access to art instruction.

- Contact them at 313.407.9805 or send them an email to learn more about how to get involved at artroad@provide.net

Friendship Circle

Website: [Friendship Circle - Volunteer](#)



Types of Volunteering: Individual

Opportunities:

College volunteers may choose any program from the adult or teen volunteer sections and register.

- Visit their website and fill out their form or contact **Rachel Fishman**, Volunteer/Program Coordinator at (248) 788-7878 for more information about possible volunteer opportunities.

Beyond Basics

Website: [Beyond Basics - Volunteer](#)



Types of Volunteering: Individual

Opportunities:

- Fill out their [Volunteer Form](#)
- Contact them at 248-250-9304 for more information.