

VOLUNTEER

WHAT

Volunteering means donating your time and talents for service projects that help others.

WHY

To get job experience, training, and build a reference list as well as have a rewarding experience meeting and helping people by learning new skills.

WHEN

During the summer, after school, evenings, or weekends for a few hours, days, or months.



WHERE

Where? In your community or abroad

- Hospitals
- Nursing homes
- YMCA/ YWCA
- Churches
- Food Pantry
- Homeless Shelter
- United Way Agencies
- Youth Programs
- Preschool Programs
- Tutoring Programs
- Animal Shelters
- Humane Society
- Local Library
- Red Cross: www.redcross.org/services/volunteer
- Volunteermatch: www.volunteermatch.org
- USA Freedom Corps: www.usafreedomcorps.gov/



ADVENTURES

For a real adventure, check out these community service projects. Most require applications in January and February. These programs combine adventure, travel, and service.

Volunteer Websites: www.amigoslink.org	Phone # (800)231-7796	What is it and How much does it cost? 8 week projects in Latin America working with health and developmental agencies. Costs about \$3300.
www.experiment.org	(800)345-2929	Programs in various countries around the world involving a homestay and language learning opportunities\$2600-\$5000.
www.global routes.org	(800)848-4800	Working on various projects in Asia, Latin America, and Africa involving a 2-3 week homestay in a village. About \$3800-\$4800.
www.globalworksinc.com	(814)667-2411	Working on projects from a playground in British Columbia or a castle in France. Costs range from \$3800-\$4800.
www.habitat.org	(229)924-6935	Building homes for people in need across the US and Romania. Provides work and experience at a fairly low price.
www.interlocken.org	(603)478-3166	Programs include adventure, leadership, and community service. Costs about \$\$3500-\$4500.
www.goputney.com	(802)387-7313	Community service projects in Central America and the Caribbean. Costs about \$4000.
www.wheretherebedragons.com	(800)982-9203	Explore Asia and the remote villages. Costs about \$6000.
www.world-horizons.com/	(203)266-5874	Combines tutoring with assistance projects in Hawaii and the South Pacific. Costs about \$4000.
www.crossculturalsolutions.org/	(800)380-4777	Work with local people in countries around the world on locally designed and driven projects to foster cultural understanding.