

Service Project Ideas

**Jesus said, "Here I am among you as one who serves."
(Luke 22:27)**

Before making your decision and commitment:

- ❖ Pray to the Holy Spirit
- ❖ Talk to your parents and sponsor
- ❖ Find out real needs that people have in your family, neighborhood, parish, school or community.
- ❖ Think about the variety of ways in which you can use your talents and abilities to help others.

Ideas for Parish Service Opportunities

***At least 1 experience serving the parish (please commit to a minimum of 1 hour).

- Volunteer at **Vacation Bible Camp** (contact Sr. Judy)
- Altar serve** at Mass (for training contact Fr. Gary)
- Cantor/sing** in the **church choir** (contact Patrick Wickliffe)
- Assist with **Children's Liturgy of the Word**, Sundays at the 10am Mass (contact Sr. Judy)
- Help set up/ clean up at **parish events/functions** (watch bulletin for opportunities)
- Volunteer at the **Parish Rummage Sale** (contact Melissa Olenik)
- Volunteer as a **PSR Aide** in the Pre-K or 3-5 yr olds Sundays 10-11am or Grades 1-2 Mondays in the afternoon (contact Sr. Judy)
- Weed the **Garden of Life**, behind the parish office (contact Rosemary Deioma 440-247-6735)
- Sort food collected from **SJA Giving Pantry** after Masses (contact Ann Wisniewski 440-338-1563)
- Think of your own idea to serve the parish community, contact a parish ministry to see how you can help!

Ideas for Community Service Opportunities

***At least 1 experience serving the community (please commit to a minimum of 1 hour).

- Volunteer at a soup kitchen or food pantry
- Volunteer working directly with/for the poor
- Collect clothes or toys for the needy
- Visit the elderly at home or in a nursing home
- Baby-sit for free
- Take care of a neighbor's pet
- Collect food for the poor
- Peer tutoring
- Help with a fund raising project for a charity
- Volunteer at school functions
- Assist senior citizens with their chores (yard work, snow shoveling)
- Make cards/write letters to hospitalized teens/ children/ elderly / military personnel
- Volunteer to work concession stands or referee sporting events

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ORGANIZATIONS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS

Many organizations require an adult with a teen under 16 yrs—these opportunities would be ideal for you to do with your sponsor.

Cleveland Food Bank

www.clevelandfoodbank.org
15500 So. Waterloo Rd.
Cleveland, OH. 44110

Contact: Volunteer Services Assistant
216-738-2069 or sign up online

*Adult needed with teen. Volunteer to sort food.

Chagrin Falls Park Community Ctr.

www.chagrinfallspark.org
7060 Woodland Avenue
Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44023

Contact: 440-247-6030

*Volunteer for special events, tutoring,
office work, etc.

Geauga Habitat ReStore

www.habitatgeauga.org
12180 Kinsman Road
Newbury, OH. 44065

Contact: 440-564-7475
restore@habitatgeauga.org

*Adult needed with teen. Volunteer to sort and
organize donations.

Hamlet Village

200 Hamlet Hills Dr.
Chagrin Falls, OH. 44022

Contact: Jeanie Heller 440-247-4201
jeanieh@hamletretirement.com

*Volunteer for activities with seniors & special events.

Hands On Northeast Ohio

www.handoneo.org

*This non-profit connects volunteers with service
opportunities around NE Ohio. Search for service
projects & register to volunteer!

Altercare at St. Joseph Center *(Formerly Little Sisters of the Poor)*

4291 Richmond Road
Cleveland, Ohio 44122-6199

Contact: Linda 216-464-1222
linda.scolaro@altercareonline.net

*Volunteer for bingo or special events.

MedWish International

www.medwish.org
Cleveland Clinic Parker Building
17325 Euclid Ave.
East Cleveland, OH. 44112

Contact: Volunteer Coordinator 216-692-1685
volunteer@medwish.org

*Adult needed with teen. Volunteer to sort donations.

West Side Catholic Center

www.wsccenter.org
3135 Lorain Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 4411

Contact: Terrie Garr 216-631-4741 x122
tgarr@helpcleveland.org

*Adult needed with teen. Volunteer to cook a meal,
play with children, sort clothing, etc.