

Community Service Opportunities during COVID-19

(Virtual or with Social Distancing)

- Northwest Harvest: Individual or group opportunities to help provide access to nutritious food for all. Individual volunteers who are between 9 and 15 years old must have a parent or guardian volunteer alongside them.

<https://www.northwestharvest.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

- Teen Feed: Remote and group volunteer opportunities available as well as individual opportunities such as dinner volunteers or pantry organization.

<http://www.teenfeed.org/volunteer/>

- Regional Animal Services of King County (RASKC): Volunteer to foster an animal. Must be 18 years or older or have parent/guardian sign off.

<https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/regional-animal-services/get-involved/volunteer-program.aspx>

- El Centro de La Raza: Remote and on-site opportunities for individuals, groups, and English or Spanish speakers.

<http://www.elcentrodelaraza.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

- Catholic Community Services: Variety of opportunities that will work with your schedule.

<https://ccsww.org/volunteer/>

- LibriVox: volunteers read and record chapters of books, in any language, and make them available for free on the Internet.

<https://librivox.org/pages/volunteer-for-librivox/>

- Mary's Place: Opportunities to volunteer with social distancing or virtually such as recording yourself (audio or video) reading a children's book in any language.

<https://www.marysplaceseattle.org/volunteer>

- Teens Give: Volunteer to tutor children virtually.

<https://teensgive.org/virtual/>

- Letters Against Depression: Write a hand-written letter to help lift spirits of those with depression.

<http://www.lettersagainst.org/volunteer>

- Zooniverse: Virtually assist professional researchers on a variety of topics. You don't need any specialized training or background to take part. You can do as much or as little as you would like. Opportunities include volunteering on a project to transcribe, identify, classify, etc.

<https://www.zooniverse.org/get-involved>

- Amnesty Decoders: Volunteers help researchers sift through pictures, information, and documents. You don't need any specialized training or background to take part. You can do as much or as little as you would like. If you are under 18 years old, you must have a parent/guardian give permission to share your personal information.

- <https://decoders.amnesty.org/>

- National Archives: Contribute to the National Archives Catalog and help improve the accessibility of historical documents by tagging, transcribing and adding comments to records.

<https://www.archives.gov/citizen-archivist>

- eBird: Help scientists understand bird populations where you live by tracking the birds you find at home.

<https://ebird.org/news/discover-the-birds-in-your-yard-or-garden>

Volunteer Search Engines

- Points of Light: Resource list of volunteer search engines and virtual volunteering opportunities. Scroll down the website to see opportunities regarding archives and genealogy, disaster and maps, general skills, health, well-being, and empowerment, literacy, mentoring and tutoring, science, technology, and engineering, etc.

<https://www.pointsoflight.org/virtual-volunteering-opportunities/>

- JustServe: Connects volunteers to opportunities they might be interested in. There are COVID-19 opportunities and possibilities to volunteer from home/remotely.

<https://www.justserve.org/>

- Volunteer Match: Multiple social distancing and virtual opportunities. Utilize location, on-location/virtual, and more filters features to broaden or narrow your results. Opportunities can include helping senior citizens with gardening, chores, and groceries, group craft projects to assist veterans, community gardening, environmental restoration of state parks, etc.

<https://www.volunteermatch.org/>

- United Way of King County: Multiple remote and social distance opportunities including supply drives, COVID-19 response, etc.

<https://www.uwkc.org/volunteer/>

- City of Renton: Opportunities to volunteer in the City of Renton. Includes one-time and on-going events, group park projects, etc.

https://rentonwa.gov/city_hall/community_services/recreation_and_neighborhoods/volunteer_opportunities

- AARP Create the Good Volunteer Search: Multiple on-location and from home/remote opportunities. Enter location, keywords for issues you are interested in e.g. hunger, and select/deselect 'Show only Home/Remote opportunities' to narrow or broaden your results.

<https://createthegood.aarp.org/volunteer-search/>

- Salvation Army Renton Rotary: Many opportunities at or near Renton including helping with the food pantry, cooking and serving meals, etc.

https://renton.salvationarmy.org/renton_corps/

For More Community Service Ideas

- Renton SD Volunteer Opportunities: Visit the websites of the opportunities you are interested in and see if they are still offering volunteer opportunities and if there are any remote/virtual options.

<https://www.rentonschools.us/new-page>