

VOLUNTEER WEBSITES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Ready to try volunteering but don't know where to start?

Great resources for Boomers who want to explore volunteer options are websites that post current opportunities from many organizations.



Websites sponsored by cities and counties are other excellent sources because they post volunteer openings for their departments and for their non-profit partners.

Using these websites, search for a volunteer gig that matches your location, interests, skills and availability. Choose from one-time or ongoing projects. Outside or inside. Long-term; short-term. Work with kids, adults or seniors. Many allow you to apply online.



Below are links to volunteer websites that match volunteers to multiple needs in the community. Descriptions are summarized from information publicly available on organization websites at time of publication/posting.

- [AARP Real Possibilities](#). Helps seniors search for local volunteer opportunities. Search by keywords and zip code.
- [Clackamas County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program](#). Refers and places skill and experience of seniors in non-profit and public organizations in education, arts, science environment and culture. Commitments range from annual events to seasonal projects to ongoing weekly schedules.
- [Clackamas County Volunteer Connection](#). Connects individuals to volunteer service with over 200 community organizations including Senior Centers, food pantries, youth and family programs, homeless programs and other community support programs.
- [Clark County Volunteer Connections](#). Connects the wisdom, experience and talents of volunteers with opportunities to serve at places such as hospitals, schools, nursing homes, and agencies that serve seniors, low-income families and kids and emergency assistance needs.
- [Cornelius, City of](#). Volunteer opportunities as rural firefighter/emergency medical responder and with various Boards and Commissions such as Budget Committee, Parks Advisory Committee, Library Board, Planning Commission and Community Oriented Policing Citizen Advisory Board.
- [Forest Grove Volunteers](#). Links to volunteer needs in arts, education and government – on Boards and Commission, Library, Fire and Rescue, Parks, Police Reserve, Senior Center and Adelante Mujeres.
- [Hands on Greater Portland](#). Connects volunteers with more than 300 nonprofit agencies in the metro area that are in need of volunteers. Build a house. Done in a day, or in-depth opportunities.
- [Hands on Greater Portland/Hillsboro](#). Connects volunteers with volunteer opportunities in Hillsboro. See also [My Hillsboro Creates Community](#) for Hillsboro opportunities.
- [Hillsboro, City of, Oregon Volunteers](#). Links to volunteer information in various city departments such as Parks & Rec, Police, Public Library, Boards and Commissions.



- [Gresham, City of](#). Volunteer program including Boards and Committees, community building activities, and natural resources and public safety programs.
- [Lake Oswego, City of](#). Volunteer opportunities. Links to descriptions of various departments such as adult community centers, Boards and Commissions, Public Works, Gardens, Library, Parks & Rec, Farmers Markets and more.
- [Milwaukee, City of](#). Volunteer opportunities on various Boards and Commissions and in various community facilities, services and events.
- [Multnomah County Citizen Volunteer Bank](#). Links and descriptions of volunteer opportunities in different county boards and committees such as the Citizen Involvement Committee or Citizen Budget Advisory Committees, as well as other volunteer opportunities throughout the county.
- Portland Community College. [Volunteer Opportunities Newsletter](#). Publishes newsletter of community organizations with volunteer opportunities.
- [Portland Parks & Recreation](#). Offers a variety of volunteer opportunities at sites across the city! Volunteer coaches, teacher aides and mentors are always needed in youth programs – and the parks, gardens, and natural areas welcome extra hands. Ongoing and one-day projects.
- [Tigard, City of](#). Volunteer opportunities on Boards and Committees such as Budget, Transportation, Pedestrian and Bicyclist, Neighborhood Involvement and others.
- [Troutdale, City of](#). Volunteer opportunities on various committees such as Budget, Citizens Advisory, Parks, Planning and Public Safety.
- [Tualatin, City of](#). Volunteer opportunities on various advisory boards and committees and in various community services including the library.
- [SOLVE Oregon](#). Mobilizes over 35,000 volunteers serving over 1,000 cleanup and restoration projects throughout the state. “We clean, restore, educate and involve our community through volunteerism.”
- [United Way](#). Connects individuals, families, groups, and workplaces to fun, productive, and meaningful opportunities. Hundreds of nonprofits list ways to get involved weekly; groups or individuals.
- [Vancouver, City of](#). Volunteer programs. Opportunities in work parties and in departments such as Boards and Commissions, Fire, Neighborhood Associations, Parks, Police, Recreation, Water Resources.
- [VolunteerMatch](#). Helps volunteers get in touch with a nonprofit that needs them.
- [Volunteers of America Oregon](#). Provides a range of supportive and empowering services to the area's most vulnerable populations, and works with them to rebuild their lives and reach their full potential. Volunteers help thousands of families in the greater Portland, Oregon and Vancouver, Washington areas. [Volunteer, one-time projects](#). [Volunteer, ongoing positions](#).
- [Washington County Volunteers](#). Links to volunteer information in various county departments such as Boards & Commissioners, Clean Water Services, District Attorney's Office, Emergency Management, Health & Human Services, Land Use & Transportation and Sheriff's Office.
- [Wilsonville, City of](#). Links to Board and Commission positions, library volunteers, parks maintenance, and community services such as senior companions, transportation and other community services.

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