Benefits of Service

Service defines who you are. Your military service has protected the freedom of all Americans, and your family's support has made that commitment possible.

That commitment carries over to community service. Opportunities are all around you—in our schools, parks, theaters, service clubs, and food banks. Be a mentor to a young person. Help a senior stay in their home. Lead a program on physical fitness or emergency preparedness.

You can volunteer for a day, a month, or in a ongoing role. Volunteer roles are flexible and provide opportunities for you to learn new skills as well as offer your experience and skills.

Volunteering is also a great way to get to know new people and network for job opportunities. Whether you are volunteering to meet people, to take on a new challenge, further develop your leadership skills, or just to know that you've helped someone, being a volunteer can bring you pride, satisfaction, and fun!

More than 33% of Washingtonians volunteer each year. Join them! Contact your local volunteer center by going to volunteerwashington.org.

> *"We did the desert together; we can do this together. Just because you don't wear the uniform anymore doesn't mean that you can hang up your obligation. Reach out to others. When you help others, you help yourself."*
>
> - Mike Pereira, OIF/OEF Veteran

U CAN SERVE

Our Nation's Heroes are assets to our communities. There are many opportunities to use your skills, talents, and experience to continue to serve in your community.

You can serve.
Be a hero in your community!

www.volunteerwashington.org

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U CAN SERVE

You have served your country.

Now share your experience and skills with your community.

The needs are great, and you have a lot to offer!

Volunteer

Meet your neighbors, learn new skills, experience the benefits of community service.

You can serve.
Be a hero in your community!

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Become a volunteer leader in your community. Use your experiences, professional, and leadership skills to help community organizations.

Where to start

Finding volunteer opportunities is easy! There is a network of volunteer centers in the state. Find the nearest center and go online or call, so they can help you identify a volunteer opportunity that fits your interests, schedule, and abilities. Or visit volunteermatch.org or idealist.org.

Volunteer Service Medal/ President's Volunteer Service Award

You can also track your service hours through the volunteer center. If you are an active duty service member, you are eligible to receive the Volunteer Service Medal, and military family members and veterans are eligible to receive the President's Volunteer Service Award.

You have much to give

America's service members and their families offer a vast range of valuable skills needed in the community. There are many ways to serve, and many reasons. Each one is an opportunity to express your patriotism, advance your skills, deepen your ties to the community, and do lasting good.

Photo: U.S. Army

Contact Your Washington State Volunteer Centers

Asotin, Whitman & Garfield Counties

Washington-Idaho Volunteer Center
1424 Main Street, Lewiston, ID 83501
Phone: 208-746-7787
volunteercenter@waidvolunteercenter.org
waidvolunteercenter.org

Clallam & Jefferson Counties

Volunteer Center of Clallam
PO Box 2653, Port Angeles, WA 98362
Phone: 360-504-1201
jacques@olympicpeninsulaymca.org
volunteerclallam.org

Clark County

Volunteer Connections, Human Services Council
201 NE 73rd St. Ste. 101, Vancouver, WA 98665
Phone: 360-735-3683
volunteerconnections@hsc-wa.org
volunteerclarkcounty.org

King County

United Way of King County Volunteer Center
720 2nd Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104
Phone: 206-461-3777
volunteers@uwkc.org
uwkc.org/ways-to-volunteer

Seattle Works
1625 19th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98122
Phone: 206-324-0808
info@seattleworks.org
seattleworks.org

Kitsap County

United Way of Kitsap County Volunteer Center
647 4th Street, Bremerton, WA 98337
Phone: 360-377-8505
cborg@unitedwaykitsap.org
volunteerkitsap.org

Kittitas County

RSVP and Volunteer Center of Kittitas County
707 North Pearl, Suite 1, Ellensburg, WA 98926
Phone: 509-962-4311
rsvp@fairpoint.net
rsvp-wa.org/ellensburg

Pierce County

United Way of Pierce County Volunteer Center
1501 Pacific Ave. Ste. 400, Tacoma, WA 98402
Phone: 253-597-6457
volunteer@uwpc.org
uwpc.org/VolunteerCenter.htm

Skagit County

Skagit Volunteer Center
330 Pacific Place, Mount Vernon, WA 98273
Phone: 360-416-7585
volunteer@skagitcap.org
skagitvolunteercenter.org

Snohomish County

United Way of Snohomish County Volunteer Center
3120 McDougall Avenue, Ste. 200, Everett, WA 98201
Phone: 425-374-5534
volunteer@uwsc.org
uwsc.org/volunteer.php

Spokane County

United Way of Spokane County Volunteer Center
507 N. Howard, Spokane, WA 99201
Phone: 509-838-6581
volunteer@unitedwayspokane.org
unitedwayspokane.org

Whatcom County

Whatcom Volunteer Center
725 North State Street, Bellingham, WA 98225
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