

# Looking for Group Volunteer Projects?

Volunteering in your community is a great team-building exercise and showcases the power of working together to achieve a common goal. Consider these steps before you get started!

## 1 | Establish Your Interest & Project Type

Determine what your group is interested in. What is something that everyone can get behind? Focus areas like education, health, or financial stability are great places to start. Additionally, think about how you want to volunteer: A donation drive, advocacy, hands-on project, or advocating for a cause?

Example | Donation drive in support of early childhood education

## 2 | Determine your Availability & Time

Determine what day of the week, and time of day your group is available. Most projects typically take between 2 and 4 hours to complete. You might choose to start or finish your workday with a project, or even bring out the team on a weekend. Importantly, remember to consider travel time to, and from, your project.

Example | Mondays or Wednesdays after 1 p.m.

## 3 | Set a Group Size

Set the total number of people in your group that will be volunteering. This is important so that your project site can adequately prepare to host your team, especially if you have a larger group. Consider breaking your project into shifts if it's not possible to have your entire team on-site at one time.

Example | 30 total volunteers, two shifts of 15 people

## 4 | Pick your Nonprofit

Now that you've determined the details, it's time to pick an organization to volunteer with. United Way of York County currently partners with [34 nonprofit agencies in York](#), any of which could be your project host! Additionally, [PA 211](#) lists nonprofits in need of volunteers by zip code.

### LOOKING FOR GROUP PROJECTS?

Here are some items to consider in selecting an opportunity.

#### Think about...

- Interest
- Availability
- Time
- Location
- # of People
- Shifts

#### For example...

We want to help the elderly, on Saturday mornings in December, for 4 hours, at a location within 20 minutes of the office, with 12 employees, with two 2-hour shifts



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