



Volunteer Ideas for Elementary Students

Agate Housing & Services: Create comfort and weather protection kits for families/individuals experiencing housing and food insecurity (all ages).

To register as a volunteer, [click here](#)

Contact: Abigail Abele, abigail.abele@agatemn.org

Arc's Value Village: Assist Arc's thrift stores in their donation centers.

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Contact: Michelle Theisen, imichellethesen@arcminnesota.org

Carver County Parks: Work on outdoor work projects -Adopt a Trail/Adopt A Waterway and assist at large community events (5 times per year).

Contact: Micah Ostergard, mostergard@co.carver.mn.us

Deephaven Woods (Deephaven): Entertain residents with a special talent, play games with residents, create art for residents, assist with parties/special events, and building-wide recycling.

Contact: Katy Swanson, katy.swanson@fairview.org

FamilyWise Services: Create craft kits at home to be used by children who are affected by homelessness, substance abuse, or domestic violence (all ages).

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Contact: Stephanie Mickelson, smickelson@familywiseservices.org

Feed My Starving Children (Chanhassen): Pack meals for children around the world experiencing hunger (ages 5 and up, under 16 with an adult).

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Free Geek (Minneapolis): Assist in recycling technology parts and refurbish computers and other technology. Volunteers can work at Free Geek or at home (16 and older independently, 16 and under with an adult).

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Contact: Dave, [volunteer information](#), 612-223-5967

Havenwood Senior Living (Minnetonka): Assist with memory care unit programming, provide support with music, crafts, creative projects, and social visits (ages 5 and up, under 16 with an adult).

Contact: Leah Fricke, lfricke@havenwoodofminnetonka.com

ICA Food Shelf: Help distribute food and assist with special events.

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Contact: Rebecca Mackenzie, rebecca@icafoodshelf.org

Interfaith Outreach: Create snack packs, hygiene kits, spice packs, repackage laundry detergent, plant a garden, work at the resource center (all ages).

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Contact: Ashley Wyatt, awyatt@iocp.org

Loaves and Fishes (Multiple Locations): Help cook and serve meals at community meal sites (ages 8 and up, under 16 with an adult).

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Contact: Latisha Moening, lmoening@loavesandfishesmn.org

Lutheran Social Services: Prepare a meal at home and deliver to a homeless shelter in the Twin Cities (all ages).

Contact: Metrohomelessyouth@lssmn.org

Many Hands Many Meals: Prepare life-saving meals to help with world hunger. Assist in packaging meals during packathons or private group events (ages 5 and older).

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Contact: mhmm@mountcalvary.org

Mt. Olivet Rolling Acres: Prepare a meal at home and deliver to a group home or share music and fellowship with residents (age dependent on activity).

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Contact: Sarah Hennes, sahennes@mtolivet-mora.org

Pinky Swear Foundation: Write encouraging letters and create uplifting artwork for pediatric patients being treated for cancer (all ages).

Contact: Chloe Czaplewski, chloe.czaplewski@pinkyswear.org

Reach for Resources: Your family/group can engage with people with disabilities in fun adaptive recreation programs (ages 8-17 with an adult).

To register as a volunteer, click [here](#)

Contact: Jesse Hartrick, jhartrick@reachforresources.org

Senior Community Services: Help seniors with yardwork/outdoor projects and technology support. (ages 7 and up, under 16 with an adult). Great idea for a family!

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Contact: scsvolunteer@seniorcommunity.org

Good In The 'Hood: Help sort and organize shoes for the Shoe Away Hunger program, assist staff with food distribution for their Food Shelf in a Box or Food in the Hood programs (ages 8 and up, under 16 with an adult).

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Contact: info@goodinthehood.org

The Glenn Senior Living (Minnetonka): Assist residents with activities, crafts, bingo, etc. Take residents for a walk and provide one-on-one interaction. Connect virtually with our residents via sing-along, cooking demo,

reading, musical performances, etc. (ages 7 and up, under 15 with an adult, all ages if virtual).

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Contact: Alissa Dvorak, advorak@greatlakesmc.com

The Humanity Alliance: Help prepare or deliver food to food insecure families in the Twin Cities (ages 6 and up, under 16 with an adult).

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Contact: hello@humanityalliance.org

Three Rivers Park District (Gale Woods Farm/Lowry Nature Center): Help prepare or deliver food to food insecure families in the Twin Cities (ages 6 and up, under 16 with an adult).

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Contact: hello@humanityalliance.org

Trouvaille Memory Care (Excelsior): Provide entertainment/enrichment for residents by creating videos of musical performances, art demonstration, skits, reading a story/poems, etc. Assist with preparing craft projects for theme events and help with outdoor garden maintenance during the fall (ages 7 and up, under 15 with an adult, all ages if virtual)

Contact: Ann Webb, awebb@trouvaillehomes.com

Serve Others in Your Neighborhood or From Home

- Visit [Greater United Way](#) to learn about their **Volunteer@Home** initiative.
- Make a plan to help a neighbor with snow removal this winter.
- Create uplifting cards for seniors living in memory care facilities in the community.
- Collect essential items (hats, gloves, self-care) for youth and adults experiencing housing insecurity.

Additional Student/Family Volunteer Resources

[Hands On Twin Cities](#)



[Doing Good Together](#)





Volunteer Match

Questions? Need help connecting with volunteer opportunities? Contact Sarah Johnson, Community Service Specialist, sarah.johnson@minnetonkaschools.org or 952-401-5766