

Youth & Family Volunteer Guide

This document includes volunteer activities organized by age group.

ANY AGE

Asera Care Hospice

Contact: Nancy
Phone: 816-880-3900

Email: nancy_petersen@aseracare.com

Volunteer to make and donate handmade items such as lap robes, booties, memory bears. There is a simplicity pattern for the memory bears. You must make a “practice memory bear”. Arrangements can be made to have the items picked up.

Minimum Age: any age

Hot Lunch Inc,
Willa Gill Center
645 Nebraska, Kansas City, Kansas

Contact: Mike Serrano
Phone: 913-281-5638

Volunteer to prepare, serve and clean-up at the daily lunch program.

Gracious Promise Foundation
1021 Pacific, Kansas City KS 66102

Provides tangible assistance in the form of resources, counseling, evangelism and discipleship training to anyone facing, enduring or recovering from a prison experience.

Contact: Shirley Miller
Phone: 913-342-1707

E-mail: shiley@graciouspromise.org
Fax: 913-342-0479

Volunteer to assist with bulk mailings; collate, stuff & label envelopes.

Minimum Age: Any age

Heartland Habitat for Humanity
1401 Fairfax Trafficway, 323D, Kansas City KS 66115

Builds simple, decent homes and communities in Wyandotte, Johnson and Leavenworth counties in partnership with God’s people in need while following biblical principles.

Contact: Kate Fields

E-mail: kate@heartsandhabitat.org

Phone: 913-342-3047 x233

Fax: 913-341-4459

Volunteer to be on the lunch bunch. Get some friends or groups from school together and prepare, deliver, and serve lunch on-site to construction volunteers. Contact the office for details.

Volunteer to assist with landscaping, generally a 3-hour morning project. Needs to be done in groups of 3 to 8 youth plus 2 adults

Volunteer to be a presenter. Assist with volunteer orientations, volunteer fairs, church presentations and other speaking engagements. Volunteers must be willing to learn about Heartland Habitat and feel comfortable speaking in front of groups.

Volunteer to be a special events volunteer. Assist with various special events throughout the year, including runs, golf tournaments, appreciation days, etc.

Minimum Age: Any Age

Youth Volunteer Corps of Greater Kansas City

4600 West 51st. Street Suite 300, Shawnee Mission, Kansas

To create and increase volunteer opportunities to enrich America's youth, address community needs and develop a lifetime commitment to service.

Contact: Team Leader

E-mail: yvc_kc@yvc.org

Phone: 913-432-9822

Fax: 913-432-3313

Volunteer opportunities for after school, Saturday, spring break and summer service projects for youth 11-18 done in a group setting under supervision.

Minimum Age: 6 - 11

Camp Fire USA Heartland Council

7930 State Line Road, Prairie Village KS 66208

Build caring, confidence youth and future leaders.

Contact: Paulette Riley

Email: paulette@kc-campfire.org

Phone: 913-648-2121 x119

Fax: 913-648-2197

Volunteer to write notes to preschool & early elementary school- aged children who need a little boost.

Minimum age: 11

Cross-Lines Community Outreach, Inc.

736 Shawnee Avenue, Kansas City Kansas 66105

Provide people affected by poverty with basic services and opportunities that encourage self-confidence and self-sufficiency.

Contact: Amber Glasgow
Phone: 913-218-3388

Email: amber@cross-lines.org
Fax: 913-281 -2344

Volunteer to hold food drives, sacking groceries, serving breakfast & lunch, sorting clothes in a thrift store, commodity deliveries, receptionist, special events help (ie: school supply distribution, Christmas Store registration and Christmas Store, prom dress drive), yard and facilities work (seasonal).

Minimum Age: 10 (w/ adult supervision)

Bridging the Gap

435 Westport Rd. #23, Kansas City MO 64111

Conserves, protects and restores natural communities of the Kansas City Region by involving people in the stewardship of the land (Kansas City WildLands is an affiliate of Bridging the Gap, a local environmental education and action organization).

Contact: Linda Lehrbaum
Phone: 816-561-1061 x116

Email: Linda@bridgingthegap.org
Fax: 816: 561-1091

Volunteer to become a Kansas City WildLands volunteer and do hands on ecological restoration of Kansas City's remnant natural areas. WildLands workdays take place outside at specific sites throughout the metro area. Workdays take place four times a year; see www.kcwildlands.org for scheduled dates. Special workdays can sometimes be arranged on a certain date for groups of a minimum size. Depending on location and time of year, volunteers may assist with cutting, pulling or spraying exotic plants; thinning woody growth; clearing or maintaining trails: or reseeding or planting in restoration site.

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Minimum Age: 12 or 13

Camp Fire USA Heartland Council

7930 State Line Road, Prairie Village KS. 66208

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Phone: 913-648-2121

Volunteer to assist with a variety of special events

Contact: Paulette Riley

Email: paulette@kc-campfire.org

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Email: paulette@kc-campfire.org

Volunteer to be a member of Teens in Action and learn about disaster preparedness and come up with your service learning to do in your community. A side benefit is leadership training and the opportunity to teach others about service learning and volunteerism.

Contact: Viannella Halsall

Email: viannella@kc-campfire.org

Volunteer to help out during family-friendly special events by leading various children's games and activates, or helping with food and clean-up. These special events occur on Saturdays throughout the year.

Contact: Viannella Halsall

Email: viannella@kc-campfire.org

Minimum Age: 13

Armourdale Renewal Association

730 Osage Avenue Kansas City KS 66105

Unites industry and family for the purpose of promoting a proud history and a promising future.

Contact: Kim Hausback

Email: khausback@armourdale.org

Phone: 913-371-5696

Fax: 913-371-2410

Volunteer to clean neighborhood parks.

Minimum Age: 12

Bridging the Gap

435 Westport Road. #23 Kansas City MO 64111

Work to make the Kansas City region sustainable by connecting environment, economy, and community.

Contact: Laura O'Brien
Phone: 816-561-1090

Email: volunteer@bridgingthegap.org
Fax: 816-561-1087

Volunteer to create and coordinate or be part of a team to engage in litter prevention, beautification and waste reduction efforts in our community.

Minimum Age: 12

Kansas City Presbyterian Manor
7850 Freeman, Kansas City KS 66112

Not-for-profit retirement community that serves a diverse population with primarily health care and memory care services.

Contact: Suzi Lockett
Phone: 913-334-3666

Email: slockett@pmma.org
Fax: 913-334-2904

Volunteer to assist with various activities throughout the facility

Minimum Age: 13

National Agriculture Center and Hall of Fame
630 Hall of Fame Drive, Bonner Springs KS 66012

Unique 123 acre complex that is both a educational tour of the history & importance of agriculture and a celebration of outstanding achievements made by farmers.

Contact: Lee Sigely
Phone: 913-721-1075

Email: lsigley@halloffame.com
Fax: 913-721-1202

Volunteer to assist with basic building maintenance such as sweeping, dusting, mopping, cleaning windows/glass, and trash disposal.

Volunteer to establish various gardens and maintain them- digging, planting, watering, and weeding.

Volunteer to help build/create children's hands-on center- painting, decoupage style work, assisting with sewing projects, light moving and cleaning.

Volunteer to assist with general office work- filling, mailings, and general clerical work.

Minimum Age: 12 (some positions require adult supervision)

Minimum Age: 14 or 15

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730 Osage Avenue Kansas City KS 66105

Unities industry and family for the purpose of promoting a proud history and promising future.

Contact: Kim Hausback

Phone: 913-371-5696

Email: kim@armourdale.org

Fax: 913-371-2410

Volunteer to help with neighborhood clean-up projects of local parks

Minimum Age: 15

Cancer Action Inc.

2708 West 43rd. Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas 66102

Increases the quality of life of cancer patients and their caregivers, provide direct client services through professional volunteer efforts, and promote educational and early detection.

Contact: Leslie Berning

Phone: 913-321-8880

Email: leslieb@canceractionkc.org

Fax: 913-321-4033

Volunteer to assist with basic office duties--- mailings, data entry, filing etc.

Volunteer to assist in the storage/ supply room (client items are stored until needed/picked up). Duties could include unpacking, sorting, shelving, putting together orders etc.

Volunteer to assist with various special events

Minimum Age: 15

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas

2220 Central, Kansas City, Kansas

Serves those in need with compassion and competence, advocates for social justice, and encourage the church community and the other people of good will to share in these efforts.

Contact: Mary Kay Drees

Phone: 913- 621-5255 x167

Email:mdrees@catholiccharities ks.org

Fax: 913-3716951

Volunteer to assist in the thrift store by sorting and arranging clothes to sell and assisting customers

Minimum Age: 15 (w/ adult supervision)

Social & Rehabilitation Services

400 State Avenue, Kansas City KS 66101

Provides services to consumers, protects children, and promotes adult self-sufficiency.

Contact: Jackie Taylor
Phone: 913-279-7345

Email: jjt@srskansas.org
Fax: 913-279-7694

Volunteer to provide clerical support.

Volunteer to assist with general maintenance projects

Minimum Age: 15

YMCA of Greater Kansas City
8601 Parallel Parkway, KCK

To build strong children, strong families and strong communities

Contact: Dale Krumm
Phone: 913-378-9622

email: Dale-Krumm@ymca-kc.org

Volunteer to help check-in members at the front desk, clean equipment, and help with Child-Watch.

Minimum age: 15

American Royal Association

1701 American Royal Court, Kansas City MO 64102

Promotes and celebrates the excellence in agriculture progress, and develops future generations of leaders through agrarian values, disciplines and expressions of skills.

Contact: Volunteer Coordinator
Phone: 816-569-4030

Email: volunteer@americanroyal.com
Fax: 816-221-8189

Volunteer to provide office assistance- assemble special mailings, stuff envelopes, affix labels, put together exhibitor packets, etc.

Volunteer to assist with American Royal Family Days (Fall 2009). Duties include helping children complete a scavenger hunt and/or working in the petting zoo.

Minimum age: 14

Bridging The Gap

435 Westport Road, #23, Kansas City MO 64111

Involves citizens, businesses and government in creating a calendar and more beautiful Kansas City (keep Kansas City Beautiful is an affiliate of Bridging The Gap, a local environmental education and action organization).

Contact: Andrea Babbit
Phone: 816-561-1061 x102

Email: andrea@bridgingthegap.org
Fax: 816-561-1091

Volunteer to assist in conducting a visual litter survey of Kansas City neighborhoods and business areas. Surveys are completed in teams of 3-4 people, working in a car.

Minimum age: 14 (w/ adult supervision)

Cancer Action

2708 West 43rd Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66102

Provides a comprehensive array of programs and services addressing the needs of persons with cancer

Contact: Leslie Berning
Phone: 913-321-8880

Email: leslieb@canceractionkc.org
Fax: 913-371-4033

Volunteer to make “comfort items” for cancer patients.

Minimum Age: 14 (w/ adult supervision)

Catholic Charities of NE Kansas

2220 Central Ave., Kansas City KS 66102

Serves those in need with compassion and competence, advocates for social justice, and encourage the church community and other people of good will to share in these efforts.

Contact: Mary Kay Drees
Phone: 816-913-621-5255 x 167

Email: mdrees@catholiccharitiesks.org
Fax: 913-371-6951

Volunteer to help sort food in pantries (Olathe, North Johnson Co. and Wyandotte Co.)

Minimum Age: 14 (w/adult supervision)

Christian Foundation for Children & Aging

1 Elmwood Ave., Kansas City, Kansas 66103

Offering hope, restoring dignity, worldwide

Contact: Colleen McKeone
Phone: 913-384-7110

Volunteer to: help put children’s letters in envelopes to be mailed to sponsors

Minimum age: 14

El Centro, The Academy for Children
1330 South 30th, Kansas City, Kansas

To create and sustain educational, social and economic opportunities that strengthen families.

Contact: Della Muzquiz
Phone: 913-281-1186

Email: DMuzquiz@elcentroinc.com.

Volunteer to: assist teachers and staff with projects and tasks
Minimum age: 14

KCK/WYCO Convention & Visitor Bureau
Chamber of Commerce Office, 727 Minnesota Ave., KCK

To inform visitors about the sites and sounds of the area

Contact: Emily Barton
Phone: 913-321-5800

email: emily@visitthedot.com
Fax: n/a

Volunteer to: Stuff 1500 envelopes with a Visitors Guide and brochures. Seal the envelopes and place in the appropriate bin. Need to be able to lift 30 lbs. This is an on-going need
Minimum age: 14

Kansas City Kansas Public Library
Support Services Building, 600 Minnesota Ave., Kansas City, Kansas

To be a lifelong learning center serving the KCK/WYCO community

Contact: Linda Wolford
Lisa Gooden
Phone: Linda 913-279-2202
Lisa 913-279-2216

Email: lwolford@kckpl.lib.ks.us.
lgooden@kckpl.lib.ks.us.

Volunteer to: assemble packets to be given to parents of young children.

Kansas City Presbyterian Manor
7850 Freeman, Kansas City KS 66112

Not-for-profit retirement community that serves a diverse population with primarily health care and memory care services

Contact: Suzi Lockett
Phone: 913-334-3666 x3556

Email: slockett@pmma.org
Fax: 913-334-2904

Volunteer to assist with organized group games- such as bingo, board games etc.

Volunteer to help with BINGO, other games, or play chess or checkers one on one with a resident

We accept young people after an interview with them and a parent or guardian. During the school year there are openings on Thursday nights from 6:45 - 8:15 P.M. and on Saturdays from 9:45 - 11:15 A.M. and 1:45 - 3:15 P.M. If you have a day off, call in advance to see if there is a need that coincides with your time off from school.

Minimum Age: 14

Reach Out and Read

3901 Rainbow Blvd., MS 4004, Kansas City KS 66160

Makes literacy promotion a standard part of pediatric care so that children grow up with books and enter school.

Contact: Laura Long
Phone: 913-588-2793

Email: llong@kumc.edu
Fax: 913-432-9302

Volunteer to read books 1-2 hours per week, Monday- Friday at one of 3 area pediatric clinics. Spanish is a help for one clinic Training provided. Clinics include the KCK Health Department, Turner House Clinic at 21 N 12th, and CMH Parallel Parkway Clinic at 46th and Troup. Read aloud to children birth to 5 years of age in the pediatric waiting rooms.

Volunteer to help sort and label books that will be distributed to children in the pediatric clinic.

Volunteer to organize a drive to collect new and gently used children's book for children to read in pediatric clinics across the KC metro area.

Volunteer to stuff kindergarten book bags that will be given to at-risk children in area pediatric clinics.

Volunteer to enter literacy data into forms and spreadsheets using computer programs like Excel and Word.

Minimum age: 14

Sanctuary of Hope Retreat Center

2601 Ridge Avenue, Kansas City KS 66102

Provides an interfaith retreat center for the inner city of KCK and KCMO with environmental awareness.

Contact: Julie Elwell
Phone: 913-321-4673

Email: Julie@sanctuaryofhope.org
Fax: N/A

Volunteer to come and help with general maintenances, cleaning, yard work and trail maintenance. Workdays take place on each second Saturday of each month.

Minimum age: 14 (w/ adult supervision)

Theater for the Young America

5909 Johnson Drive, Mission KS 66202

Fosters the educational and emotional growth of young people through the creative art of drama

Contact: Evan Gamsu

Phone: 913-831-2131

Email: tyastage@sbcglobal.net

Fax: 913-831-7717

Volunteer to be an usher

Minimum age: 14

Mental Health Association of the Heartland

739 Minnesota, Kansas City, Kansas

Contact: Ann Jones

Phone: 913-281-2221

Volunteer for administrative support and to help organize educational materials for packets and presentations.

Minimum age: 14

Minimum Age: 16 or 17

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City - Wyandotte County

1240 Troup, Kansas City, Kansas

To promote the development of self-esteem, values and skills for boys & girls, 5-18 years of age.

Contact: Dyan Wilson

Phone: 913-621-3260

Email: dwilson@helpkids.org

Fax: 913-621-3270

Volunteer to help the Boys & Girls Club deliver programming to participants

Minimum age: 17

Dream Works

Promotes equal opportunity and choice for all individuals regardless of physical or mental challenges or socio- economic status. Primary approach to fulfilling the mission is to create

educational, service, and cooperative efforts within the community that foster responsible, choice-driven lifestyles.

Contact: Ed McInnis
Phone: 913-281-8695

Email: tdw@thedreamworksinc.com
Fax: 913-371-6307

Volunteer to assist with clean up of donated medical equipment and organization of office and/or consumers homes (inside & out)

Minimum age: 17

El Centro Inc.

650 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City Kansas 66101

Creates and sustains educational, social and economic opportunities for families.

Contact: Volunteer manager
Phone: 913-677-0100

Email:
Fax: 913-362-8573

Volunteer to tutor and mentor younger students

Minimum Age: 17

Rosedale Development Association

1403 Southwest Blvd, Kansas City Kansas 66103

Partners with other organizations to build a stronger community and improve the lives of those who live, work and play in Rosedale.

Contact: Kelly Jander
Phone: 913-677-5097

Email: kjander@crn.org
Fax: 913-677-3437

Volunteer to work with youth (ages 11 to 15) to carry out community services projects in Rosedale. Assist in writing grant, offer advice and coaching for the project and be present on the day of the project.

Minimum Age: 17

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas

2220 Central Ave, Kansas City Kansas 66102

Serves those in need with compassion and competence, advocates for social justice, and encourages the Church community and other people of good will to share in these efforts.

Contact: Mary Kay Drees
Phone: 913-621-5255 x167

Email: mdrees@catholiccharitiesks.org
Fax: 913-621-4507

Volunteer to assist staff with various office duties. Duties may include client referral services, typing, filing, record- keeping, telephone services, appointments, newsletters, selected out- of – office meetings, trainings, conferences, speaking engagements ext.

Minimum Age: 16

Edwardsville Manor

751 Blake St, Edwardsville Kansas 66111

Provides complete patient care in a home environment.

Contact: Angela Haynes

Email: N/A

Phone: 913-441-1900

Fax: 913-441-0410

Volunteer to complete different games and crafts with residents.

Minimum Age: 16

Gracious Promise Foundation

1021 Pacific, Kansas City Kansas 66102

Provides tangible assistance in the form of resources, counseling, advocacy, evangelism and disciples training to anyone facing, enduring or recovering from a prison experience.

Contact: Shirley Miller

Email: Shirley@graciouspromise.org

Phone: 913-342-1707

Fax: 913-342-0479

Volunteer to assist with the Adopt-a- family program. Duties include making telephone contacts, wrapping gifts, picking up gifts, hospitality, or gift distribution.

Volunteer to assist staff with various office duties

Volunteer to assist with arranging the warehouse. Volunteers would sort and keep orderly a warehouse of donated items that are for clients.

Minimum Age: 16

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Email: kate@heartlandhabitat.org

Phone: 913-342-3040 x 233

Fax: 913- 342- 4459

Volunteer to place drainage tiles, spreading gravel, building components, placing concrete forms, putting up walls, raising the roof, shingling the roof, installing windows and siding or insulation, painting or lawn care. No experience is necessary.

Volunteer to be a greeter and work with customers at the new Restore

Minimum age: 16

Human Society of Greater Kansas City
5445 Parallel Pkwy, Kansas City KS 66104

Saves and improves the lives of dogs and cats throughout the greater Kansas City community.

Contact: Leslie Hansen
Phone: 913-596-1000 x22

Email: hsdevelopment@sbcglobal.net
Fax: 913-596-2483

Volunteer to assist staff, petty and grooming cats, laundry, filing, paperwork and outside work. In addition volunteers are needed at satellite adoption events and special events throughout the year (training and orientation included)

Minimum Age: 16

Mental Health Association of the Heartland
739 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City KS 66101

Promotes the mental health of the community in improves the quality of persons with mental illness through advocacy, education, and support.

Contact: Shellie Arriga
Phone: 913-281-2221

Email: sarriga@mhah.org
Fax: 913-281-3977

Volunteer to assist with onsite registration at community education events.

Minimum Age: 16

Pets for Life, Inc.
7240 Wornall Road, Kansas City MO 64114

Provides the therapeutic touch of pets and volunteers for people bound by their physical and mental limitations in local institutions.

Contact: Mary Buford
Phone: 816-363-3665, ext 2

Email: kc@petsforlife.com
Fax: 816-363-9996

Volunteer to be a pet-assisted volunteer and take your pet on visits to hospitals, nursing homes, etc.

Minimum Age: 16

Sanctuary of Hope

2601 Ridge, Kansas City Kansas

Contact: Julie Elwell

Email: volunteer@sanctuaryofhope.org

Phone: 913-321-4673

Volunteer to maintain the grounds including gardens, trails, and provide clerical support

Minimum age: 16

Salvation Army Harbor Light Village

6723 State Ave. Kansas City, Kansas 66102

Contact: Judy Forney

Email: judy_forney@usa.salvationarmy.org.

Phone: 913-232-5400

Volunteer to care for children of parents attending Life Skills classes under the supervision of an adult.

Minimum age: 16

Volunteer to help serve dinner to clients in the residential programs and help clean-up the dining when the meal is over. This includes wiping off the tables and chairs

Minimum age: 16

Minimum Age: 18

Associated Youth Services

1620 S. 37th, Kansas City KS 66106

Exists to advance the social, educational,, and emotional health, and successes of youth and families.

Contact: Teri Kriege

Email: tkriege@aysusa.org

Phone: 913-831-2820 x231

Fax: 913-831-0262

Volunteer to be a volunteer coordinator. Contact volunteers for special projects and assists with making arrangements for the evens as it pertains to volunteers.

Minimum Age: 18

Camp Fire USA Heartland Council

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Builds caring confidence youth and future leaders.

Contact: Paulette Riley

Phone: 913-648-2121 x112

Email: paulette@kc-campfire.org

Fax: 913-648-2197

Volunteer to be a campfire assistant and provide leader ship and guidance to youth through a varied & balanced Camp Fire program in a group setting. Duties include planning & carrying out activities, purchasing & preparing supplies, etc.

Minimum Age: 18

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas

2220 Central Ave., Kansas City KS 66102

Serves those in need with compassion and competence, advocates for social justice, and encourages the church community and other people of good will to share in these efforts.

Contact: Mary Kay Drees

Phone: 913-621-5255

Email: mdrees@catholiccharities.org

Fax: 913-621-4507

Volunteer to provide respite care for hospice patients and their families.

Volunteer to be a grocery shopper. Duties include obtaining a list from family member/ caregiver and doing the shopping or taking a family member/ caregiver to do the shopping.

Volunteer to provide transportation caregiver or family member to attend appointments or to run errands.

Minimum Age: 18
