



Group Service Ideas

Volunteer with your family, friends or co-workers!

You will find contact information, agency descriptions and additional opportunities at www.bloomington.in.gov/volunteer. Please contact each organization directly to determine its current needs.

Bloomington Boys and Girls Club: clean and paint facility when closed (occasional); mow, clear brush, clean, paint, and light carpentry at Camp Rock on Lake Lemon (spring, late summer)

Bloomington Housing Authority: speed-up the availability of low-income housing by cleaning and painting public housing apartments

Bloomington Parks & Recreation: Community Garden Projects (Crestmont Park, Willie Streeter, Banneker Community Center); Trail clean-up days or Adopt-a-Trail (Leonard Springs, Griffy Lake, Wapehani, Winslow Woods, Twin Lakes, Rails to Trails); Bryan Park Creek Naturalization Project (maintain this natural area by pulling invasive species)

Clear Creek School: occasionally needed to help maintain a large outdoor area and arboretum (occasional - cut saplings, remove weeds, move rocks, mulch)

Community Kitchen: occasionally needed to deep-clean when the kitchen is closed. Groups can also make placemats or decorations to brighten up the dining area.

Habitat for Humanity of Monroe County: work on construction crews, prepare food for volunteers, distribute posters.

Harmony School: revitalize and beautify the building and grounds on scheduled work days

Hilltop Garden and Nature Center: work in garden spaces or in the greenhouses

Hoosier Hikers Council: build trails

Hoosier Hills Food Bank: organize a food drive, large or small.

Shalom Community Center: occasionally needed to deep-clean when the kitchen is closed. Groups can also make placemats or decorations to brighten up the dining area.

Sycamore Land Trust: gardening, landscaping, tree planting

WildCare Inc.: build or power wash cages, work on fencing

Yellowwood State Forest and Morgan-Monroe State Forest: volunteer on trail days, adopt-a-Lake, adopt-a-trail

Other excellent ways to volunteer as a group:

Festivals (Multicultural Festival, Juneteenth, Lotus Festival)

Food or Clothing Drives

Fundraising Runs and Walks (Hoosiers Outrun Cancer, Homeward Bound, Walk for the Animals, Crop Walk)

Holiday Parties (Big Brothers Big Sisters, Girls Inc, Boys and Girls Club, Nursing Homes)

Special activities at nursing homes and retirement centers

Special events (Gardening and Landscaping Show, Indiana Heritage Quilt Show)

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