

VOLUNTEER

>> GET INVOLVED

Give an hour. Give a Saturday. Give your best. We all have special talents. Things we can do to help. And when we reach out a hand to one, we influence the condition of all.

>> WHY VOLUNTEER

Since our nation's founding, volunteers have been the source of action and change. Today, 235 years later, their energy continues to move our country forward. America's story is the story of volunteers — everyday citizens who step forward to change lives and strengthen our communities. There are as many reasons to serve as there are people who serve, from mentoring at your local school to providing tax prep to a family in need, volunteering is critical in helping United Way reach our LIVE UNITED 2020 goals.

LIVE UNITED

GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER.
LIVE UNITED.



United Way can connect you to the volunteer program that is right for you. Visit LIVEUNITEDchicago.org/volunteer

VOLUNTEERING CAN HELP YOU:

- Make a difference in someone's life
- Meet important networking contacts
- Learn or develop skills
- Teach your skills to others
- Gain work experience
- Improve your health
- Meet new people
- Improve the likelihood that your children will volunteer as adults



EMPLOYEE VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

United Way can help your company align its philanthropic goals with strategic volunteerism. The benefits of an Employee Volunteer Program are many, and building a volunteer program that is integrated with core business objectives, core competencies and community needs creates a meaningful and sustainable program. There is a growing volunteer movement and your employees, shareholders, community, and company will all benefit.

- **Strengthen the Company:** Successful employee volunteer programs meet core business goals, address issues that affect a company's ability to operate and recruit and retain high-quality employees.
- **Develop Employees:** Participation helps employees develop new skills and strengthen their relationship with fellow colleagues.
- **Support the Community:** Employee volunteer programs are centered on providing resources towards critical community issues.

JOIN THE MOVEMENT! MENTOR, TUTOR OR READ TO A CHILD

Today, fewer Americans are likely to earn a diploma than their parents, a distinction not shared by any other industrialized country. Sometimes kids just need someone who believes in them. In partnership with United Way's across the nation, we have an ambitious goal to recruit **one million** volunteer readers, tutors and mentors. Join United Way and come together with friends, family and neighbors to show what it means to **LIVE UNITED**. Volunteer reading, tutoring or mentoring one hour each week can change the life of a child.

>> LIVE UNITED 2020 10-YEAR GOALS*

Almost 2 million people currently reside in our *United Way Partner Communities*, and more than half of them live in poverty.

For those in or near poverty, United Way's transformational 10-year commitment will:

INCOME

Advance economic stability for **100,000** households

EDUCATION

Help **50,000** underperforming middle school kids enter high school ready to succeed

HEALTH

Connect over **200,000** people with available, preventative health services

CRISIS

Across the six-county region, United Way will answer the immediate crisis needs of **1 million** people every year by providing shelter, food and freedom from violence

* The LIVE UNITED 2020 goals are derived from current UWMC results, projected reporting over time and research on program capacity.