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Wilkinson Center

Wilkinson Center is just that – a center. A starting point for pathways that lead to better things. Since 1982, we've helped transform the lives of Dallas families in crisis by setting them on their paths. Whether it's a path that leads to employment or a path that puts food on the table every day, we are working towards an end to hunger and generational poverty. Our formula for success is case management, a compassionate staff, dedicated volunteers, and effective, individualized programming that provides food, adult education and jobs. And we believe we can all get from where we are to where we want to be much sooner if we move forward, together.

We are currently in need of volunteers to serve at our Food Pantry and with our Pantry2Go mobile food truck distributions. Various dates and shifts available. For more information or to sign up to volunteer, visit: <https://bit.ly/ServePantry>.

The Stewpot

The Stewpot, a ministry of First Presbyterian Church Dallas, is a safe haven for men and women experiencing and at risk of homelessness in Dallas, providing basic survival needs as well as opportunities to start a new life.

To learn more about service opportunities and to sign up, please visit www.thestewpot.org/volunteer.

Trusted World

Trusted World is committed to providing the best resources, at no cost, to people or organizations who are providing services on someone else's behalf.

To create an efficient and effective donation fulfillment process to ensure individuals facing situational poverty receive the necessary resources in a timely manner.

Volunteer opportunities are listed on our website and individuals can click on the volunteer button to sign up.

Visit: <https://trustedvolunteer.net/>

Feed My Starving Children

Feeding kids. Feeding spirits. Empowering communities.

Every year, millions of children die from preventable causes such as pneumonia, diarrhea, malaria and undernutrition. Hunger is still causing nearly half of deaths in children under 5 years old. From this data, we estimate at least 6,200 children die each day from causes related to undernutrition. This is heartbreaking.

Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) believes hope starts with food. As a Christian nonprofit, FMSC is dedicated to seeing every child whole in body and spirit. FMSC works with food

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distribution partners that stay with communities for the long haul, empowering them to move from relief to development.

FMSC meals are developed by food science and nutrition professionals to supplement nutritional needs and reduce problems with malnutrition. Nutrition allows children to grow, thrive and develop to their full potential.

To volunteer to pack food, please follow this link; <https://www.fmssc.org/get-involved/volunteer>.

Mission Arlington/Mission Metroplex

Mission of Arlington response to the needs of the community, providing holistic services including after school programs, school supplies, health care, emergency assistance, sports, and so much more. Mission Arlington needs volunteers to “lift the load” in assisting with the administration of food, clothes, household items, and furniture-sorting, separating, carrying, and distributing.

To volunteer, please come between the hours of 7am-7pm to the Volunteer Office at 210 W. South St. For more information about Mission Arlington and volunteering, please follow this link; <https://missionarlington.org/community-service/>.

CleanUP

CleanUP provides FREE Mobile Services (Showers, Haircuts, Clothing, Food & Beverages, Hygiene, Laundry Services, Classroom, & Auto Care) to ALL Neighbors. For more information about CleanUP, please follow this link; <https://www.cleanupusa.org/>.

A Neighbor to CleanUP is ANYONE that is willing to RECEIVE. #AllNeighborsWelcome
#Choose2BeANeighbor

To volunteer, please complete this form [here](#). Volunteers will be sent a monthly calendar to review and sign up for a volunteer shift.

North Texas Food Bank

Founded in 1982, the North Texas Food Bank (NTFB) is a nonprofit hunger relief organization that distributes donated and purchased food through a network of more than 200 Partner Agencies in 13 counties.

To volunteer, please create an account and register for a shift with the different NTFB departments or Partner Agencies here: <https://volunteer.ntfb.org/>.

SPAC of Texas

The SPCA of Texas is the leading animal welfare agency in North Texas with three shelters and two spay/ neuter clinics located in Dallas and Ellis County. Our team of animal cruelty investigators respond to thousands of calls every single year. We then work to rehabilitate those animals, medically and behaviorally, who go on to find their forever, loving home. We could not

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do this without our team of dedicated staff and volunteers. Please help us continue our mission of providing every animal exceptional care and a loving home by volunteering today!

To volunteer, please complete [Volunteer Application, Release & Background Authorization \(volgistics.com\)](https://volgistics.com). One-time volunteers are not eligible for animal handling and will not need to attend the group orientation. Volunteers will be contacted to schedule our short-term onboarding.

Sharing Life

Sharing Life strives to end hunger and poverty by demonstrating compassion to those in need through food, clothing, financial resources, and educational programs. Sharing Life is one of the few organizations in the DFW area that provides a full range of services in one location. In addition to food, we offer clothing, utility assistance, medical equipment, educational programs, financial coaching, and shelter for our unhoused neighbors. If we do not offer the service, we have many resources available to our clients to free them from visiting multiple offices to receive the assistance they need. We are only able to provide these services through a small, dedicated staff and a robust volunteer program. We are always looking for volunteers to help in our Food Pantry and Clothing Closet, as well as the many special events we have throughout the year.

All volunteers must fill out a volunteer application. That can be done in person at the Sharing Life building located at 3544 E. Emporium Circle, Mesquite, TX 7510 or it can be done online at the following page, which also has our available opportunities: <https://sharing-life-community-outreach.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/>.

District 2-E2 Eyeglass Recycling Center

Since July 2013 the Lions District 2E2 Eyeglass Recycling Center has supplied recycled glasses to church and medical missions who travel to Mexico, Guatemala, Belize, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Honduras, Panama, Costa Rica, Brazil, Peru, Paraguay, Bolivia, Uganda, Ghana, Malawi, Cameroon, Vietnam, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Romania, Fiji, and the Philippines.

To volunteer, visit our website at www.2e2erc.org and click Contact Us, fill in the form, and a director will be in contact about volunteering. The Center is open most Saturdays from 9AM to 3PM and can be opened on a weekday for groups.

The SoupMobile

The SoupMobile is a ‘mobile’ soup kitchen that was found in 2003 on a wing and a lot of prayers. We are a faith based 501c (3) non-profit that ‘Feeds the Homeless & Needy Children in Dallas, Texas’. Our Mission Statement is three simple words spoken by Jesus more than 2,000 years ago: “Feed my sheep”.

To volunteer, visit our website [here](#), and complete the Volunteer Sign Up.

In My Shoes

In My Shoes is a maternity home for pregnant women experiencing homelessness. We welcome moms into our home at any point in their pregnancy and they can stay with us until their baby is

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nine months old. We provide our moms with not only housing but with emotional, educational, financial, and spiritual resources to restore them to who God created them to be. Our staff is live-in and serve as advocates for our moms, walking with them and supporting them throughout their journey here.

Learn more about our volunteer opportunities by visiting this link:

<https://liveinmyshoes.org/volunteer/>.

Dallas Public Library

Dallas Public Library strengthens communities by connecting people, inspiring curiosity, advancing lives, and working for racial equity. We'd love to have you all volunteer for us!

To view our opportunities, you can visit the [Dallas Public Library's Volunteer Webpage](#) and scroll down to the "Volunteer Opportunities: In-Person Volunteering" section. Volunteers will need to complete the following:

1. Fill out a Volunteer Application
2. Schedule a Volunteer Interview with Staff
3. Complete the required background check
4. Start Volunteering!

Equest

Equest's mission is to enhance the quality of life for children and adults with diverse needs by partnering with horses to bring hope and healing through equine assisted activities and therapies.

To learn more about volunteer opportunities, please click [here](#). All volunteers must complete the following:

1. Paperwork: Online Application and Registration Form
2. Register for Training (Program Helpers)
3. Pay Background Check Fee (\$10-fee covers background check, and food and beverage at training)

Questions can be directed to Ellie Grant at 972-412-1099 Ext 211.

Traditions Health

The mission of Traditions Health is to promote health and independence in the patients we serve, to attract and retain exceptional healthcare professionals, and to conduct our business with compassion and integrity. Click [here](#) to learn more.

Volunteering includes visiting patients, reading to them, taking walks, playing games, and sharing music with them. Some of the visited facilities ask for volunteers to help with special events. Additionally, there are volunteer opportunities in our main office.

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The Samaritan Inn

The largest homeless shelter in Collin County, we have up to 160 men, women and children that stay with us each night.

We would be happy to have you help us as a volunteer. Some of the types of activities would be volunteering in our kitchen, thrift store, or completing general tasks around the shelter (cleaning, organizing, sorting, etc). **Must complete a background check to volunteer!!**

1. Fill out the [online volunteer application](#). You should receive an automated email if you do it correctly. If you do not, please try again. It is better that you complete the application from a computer and not from a mobile device.
2. Sign and return, via email, the [DPS form](#). This is the permission to perform the background check. You do not need to schedule a fingerprinting or pay the \$24.95 associated with the fingerprinting.
3. Make a [donation](#) to cover the volunteer application and onboarding costs.

Questions can be directed to volunteer@saminn.org.