

Greater Chattanooga (including Knoxville and Nashville) Community Service Agencies and Sites
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Agencies/Sites	Organization Type	Websites	Contact Information (Name, Email, Phone)	Important Information (Read Carefully)
McKamey Animal Center	Non-Profit	https://www.mckameyanimalcenter.org/how-to-volunteer	VolunteerCoordinator@mckameyanimalcenter.org	Volunteers are asked to commit 6 hours a month for 6 months. Service can include being an adoptions greeter, dog walker, cat caretakers assistant, and shelter assistance. Volunteers are asked to contribute a one-time \$25 commitment fee that covers a t-shirt and Orientation. An short-term volunteers assist with shelter maintenance without any direct contact with the animals. A Student Project Request Form will need to be completed. Long-term volunteers (6 hours per month) serve as adoption ambassadors, shelter guides, they interact with the animals and assist at the thrift store. Volunteers should readily be able to access the internet. Volunteer opportunities may be available within the education, enrichment, animal, nutrition, or administrative office departments. There are specific requirements for each, including possible weekly and yearly time commitments. An application will need to be completed. Interested volunteers are encouraged to look over the website for more Tasks may include warehouse help food sorting & packing, and office assistance. Volunteer shifts are typically during business hours with some evening and monthly Saturday opportunities available.
Humane Educational Society	Non-Profit	https://www.heschatt.org/volunteer/volunteer-info-adults-age-12/	Ashleigh Horner, Volunteer Services Manager (423)624-5302, ext. 248 ashleighhorner@heschatt.org	
Chattanooga Zoo	Non-Profit	http://www.chattzoo.org/volunteer/opportunities	info@chattzoo.org (423) 697-1322	
Chattanooga Area Food Bank	Non-Profit	http://www.chattfoodbank.org/individual	Mark Schock, Volunteer Coordinator mschock@chattfoodbank.org	
Chattanooga Rescue Mission	Non-Profit/Religious	http://www.chattanoogarescuemission.com/individual-volunteer/	(423)756-3126	
Chattanooga Community Kitchen	Non-Profit	https://www.homelesschattanooga.org/get-involved	Volunteer Coordinator, kitchen@homelessnesschattanooga.org (423)756-4222 ext. 3612	Opportunities can include general food preparation and clean-up, assisting in accepting donations, maintenance, and landscaping. Volunteer shifts are available daily and occur in 3, 5, or 8 hour shifts. A volunteer waiver will need to be completed. Please make sure you complete the correct sign-up sheet.
Friends of the Troops	Non-Profit	https://www.friendsofthetroops.org/volunteer	support@friendsofthetroops.org	Opportunities may include sending cards of appreciation to active troops and veterans, sending cards of support to active military members, and helping out with local military and Veteran events. Volunteers will need to complete a background check.
The Tennessee Aquarium	Non-Profit	https://www.tnagua.org/volunteer-opportunities/	(800)262-0695	Opportunities may include being aquarium guides, enrichment/education guides, a horticulture volunteer, and summer day camp assistance. Each volunteer role has different time commitments and expectations.
Creative Discovery Museum	Non-Profit	https://www.cdmfun.org/volunteer	Amanda Ward, Volunteer Manager alw3@cdmfun.org or (423)648-6046	Opportunities may include assisting with education programs, administrative support, exhibit maintenance, community relations, customer service, and discovery coach. A background check is required.
Adult & Teen Challenge (Mid-South Region)	Non-Profit/Religious	http://www.tcmidsouth.org/	media@tcmidsouth.org	Volunteer opportunities may include working in the administration office, mentoring individuals living with alcohol & drug addiction, and watching children.
Girls, Inc. of the Tennessee Valley	Non-Profit	https://www.girlsinctnv.org/volunteer/	Octavia.Lenoir@olenoir@girlsinctnv.org	This organization offers tutoring and mentoring to the young girls they serve and they are looking for volunteers to aid in these new virtual programs. Interested volunteers will need to complete a form, a background check, and pay a \$13 commitment fee . This is a great opportunity for those looking to help a young girl on her path to adulthood.
Family Promise Chattanooga	Non-Profit	https://www.familypromisechattanooga.com/what-we-do/	(423)756-3891	Opportunities may include education initiatives, assistance in the office, grant writing, and picking up supplies. An Application will need to be completed.
Signal Center, Inc	Non-Profit	http://www.signalcenters.org/	Chris_Berryman@signalcenters.org	Opportunities may include working with individuals whom live with disabilities, helping in the office and center. An application with reference statement and background check will need to be completed. Orientation and Training will be provided.
Chattanooga Autism Center	Non-Profit	https://www.chattanoogaautismcenter.org/get-involved	Dave Buck, info@chattanoogaautismcenter.org ,or (423)531-6961 option 4	Opportunities may include childcare, administrative assistance, and helping out with website graphic design. A volunteer interest form will need to be completed. Time commitments vary depending on role.
Reflection Riding Arboretum and Nature Center	Non-Profit	https://reflectionriding.org/132/volunteer?_ga=2.195290412.1621812303.1581523731-426305129.1581523731&_gac=1.22318793.1581523731.CjwKCAIA4Y7yBRB8EiwADV1hAQYDJg97dOkT8Vl47uyv6CJbvPtLUJvLwdl	Bess Turner, Outreach Coordinator; volunteer@reflectionriding.org	Opportunities may include land management, education, outreach, visitor services, social media and blog/newsletter writing. A volunteer waiver will need to be completed. A brief phone call conversation and Orientation Training may be required depending on opportunity. Time commitments

Salvation Army of Chattanooga	Non-Profit	https://chattanooga.volunteerfirst.org/default.asp	Lauren Russek, lauren.russek@uss.salvationarmy.org , or (423)756-1023	Opportunities may include assisting with drop-in activities, assisting guests with computer skills, resume writing, and sorting incoming items. A waiver will need to be completed.
Ronald McDonald House Charities of Greater Chattanooga	Non-Profit	https://www.rmhchattanooga.com/how-you-can-help/volunteer/	Tonya West, Volunteer Coordinator, at tonya.west@rmhchattanooga.com ; (423)778-4333	Opportunities include administrative support, staffing the family room at the Children's Hospital at Erlanger, kitchen assistance; and working special events. A volunteer interest form will need to be completed. Opportunities include assisting at the Re-Store, the administrative office, special projects, and helping out with home builds. No experience is necessary.
Habitat for Humanity	Non-Profit	https://www.habichatt.org/volunteer	Audrey Cunningham at (423)756-0507 ext. 15	Opportunities may include spending time in mentor/mentee relationships. An application with references and a background check will need to be completed. Volunteers should be prepared to volunteer for a year.
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Chattanooga	Non-Profit	http://www.bbbschatt.org/get-involved/	Customer Relations Coordinator, director@bbbschatt.org or (423)698-8016	Volunteers are needed to read to children, tutoring, and to coach athletics. Volunteers are asked to be available/dedicate for 1-2 hours a week for an extended period of time. Interested students will need to complete a volunteer application and a background check.
Boys and Girls Clubs of Chattanooga	Non-Profit	https://www.bgcccha.org/enroll/#volunteer	https://www.bgcccha.org/about-us/#contact-us	Opportunities include assisting with academic tutoring, teaching life-skills seminars; elder services; information technology; and helping out with special events. A volunteer application, waiver, confidentiality statement; and background check will need to be completed.
Partnership for Families, Children, and Adults	Non-Profit	https://www.partnershipfca.com/6/volunteer	Natalie Patric, Volunteer Coordinator, at npatric@partnershipfca.com	Volunteers may be needed to assist with morning student temperature checks and on-going renovation assistance. Interested students will need to complete a volunteer application, a background check, and a volunteer
Chambliss Center for Children	Non-Profit	https://www.chamblisscenter.org/volunteer	Emily Barrow, Director of Volunteer Services esbarrow@chamblisscenter.org (423)468-1126	
Youth Villages of Chattanooga	Non-Profit/Religious	https://www.youthvillages.org/	Volunteer and Outreach Coordinator, volunteer@youthvillages.org	Opportunities may include teaching job and interview skills, coordinating events, and assisting with athletic events.
March of Dimes of Chattanooga	Non-Profit	https://www.marchofdimes.org/volunteers/volunteer-opportunities.aspx	(423)402-8771	Opportunities may include organizing gratitude gifts, sending notes, serving as a mentor, creating your own event, assisting with community walks, or longer term leadership roles.
Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (Middle and East Tennessee)	Non-Profit	https://www.jdrf.org/community/volunteer/	info@jdrf.org	Opportunities may include assisting with event operations, assistance with mentoring programs, community health fair assistance, and administrative assistance. An interest form will need to be completed.
Make-A-Wish (East Tennessee)	Non-Profit	https://etn.wish.org/ways-to-help/volunteering/volunteer	Abby Carden, acarden@etn.wish.org ; or (423)602-9954	Opportunities may include helping out at special events, grant writing, administrative assistance, public relations, and wish-granter. An application with a background check will need to be completed (please allow 2 weeks for processing) Orientation/Training is included. Time commitment varies.
Children's Advocacy Center of Hamilton County		https://www.cachc.org/support/volunteer/	info@cachc.org or (423)266-6918	Opportunities may include planning and executing local events.
YMCA of Metropolitan Chattanooga	Non-Profit	https://www.ymcachattanooga.org/volunteer	Debbie Roth, Executive Director, droth@ymcachattanooga.org ; or (423)266-3766	Opportunities may include prepping nearby meals, outreach assistance, mentor assistance, story-reading, administrative assistance; child care. An application and background check will need to be completed.
Chattanooga Room in the Inn	Non-Profit	https://chattanoogaroomintheinn.com/volunteer/	info@chattanoogaroomintheinn.com or (423)624-6144	Fingerprinting will also need to be completed if volunteering with Opportunities include assistance with life skills seminars, administrative assistance, food preparer, maintenance, and assistance at special events. An application will need to be completed.
La Paz Chattanooga	Non-Profit	https://www.lapazchattanooga.org/volunteer	info@lapazchattanooga.org	Opportunities may include verbal interpretation (Spanish to English), written translation (Spanish to English), childcare, special event assistance, administrative assistance, and English Second Language Instruction. An application and waiver will need to be completed.
Tennessee River Valley	Non-Profit	https://www.trvstewardshipcouncil.org/trv-stewardship-council-2/	Julie Graham at tennesseerivervalleymapguide@gmail.com	Volunteers are needed to create website content for an online geotourism map guide that represents the cultural, recreational, and historical assets of the Tennessee River Valley Watershed. Both written and photo/ video content is needed for counties in northeastern and middle Tennessee. All work can be done virtually and content is reviewed for accuracy. The purpose of the map guide is to inspire travelers to visit this region, but to also inspire communities to preserve and protect their own unique stories. Interested volunteers are encouraged to look over the website for more.
Urban League of Greater Chattanooga, Inc.	Non-Profit	https://www.ulchatt.net/volunteer	info@ulchatt.net	Volunteers may be needed to assist with events/initiatives related to education (i.e. after school program) and health awareness. Interested students will need to submit a volunteer interest form. Interested volunteers are encouraged to look over the organization's website for
Northside Neighborhood House	Non-Profit	https://www.nnhouse.org/support/volunteer/	(423)267-2217	Volunteers may be needed at the local Thrift Store or within the departments/initiatives of education and administration. Volunteers will need to complete a contact/interest form. Interested volunteers are encouraged to look over the website for more information/answers to

Emerald Youth Foundation (Knoxville Area)	Non-Profit/Religious	https://www.emeraldyouth.org/volunteer	Volunteers@EmeraldYouth.org	Volunteers are needed to mentor, tutor, further develop individual talent enrichment, lead bible study, and coaching service. Time commitments may vary. An application will need to be completed. A background check and a confidentiality agreement will also need to be completed.
Knoxville Area Rescue Ministries (KARM)	Non-Profit/Religious	https://karm.org/volunteer-2/	volunteer@karmstores.com	Volunteers are needed at local KARM Thrift Stores to accept and sort donations, to organize, and to display items on the sales floor. Special projects, in KARM affiliated warehouse and stores, may have volunteers painting and/or sorting donations for an upcoming event, like Coats for the Cold. Interested students will need to select a volunteer location and volunteers are needed to help put items in the Thrift store and Clothing Closet, helping with client check-out, and basic cleaning and organization.
People Helping People (Benton Area)	Non-Profit	https://peoplehelpingpeopletn.org/get-involved	https://peoplehelpingpeopletn.org/contact-us (423)299-9062	Interested students will need to complete a Volunteer Application under the Documents and Information Page of the People Helping People website. Please ensure that your volunteer efforts meet HTRC's Community
Tennessee Justice Center (Nashville Area)	Non-Profit	https://www.tnjustice.org/volunteer-opportunities/	(615)255-0331	Volunteers are an important part of the fabric of the TJC Team. From healthcare policy advocacy to office administration, volunteers of all skill-sets are needed to become a part of the TJC family. Interested students will need to complete a contact/interest form to serve. Interested volunteers are encouraged to look over the website for more information.
Helpful Links				
City of Chattanooga		https://ihelpchattanooga.galaxydigital.com/		A call for volunteers and immediate needs are often posted by agencies and sites on this website.
United Way of Greater Chattanooga		https://unitedwaycha.org/about-us/		The United Way of Greater Chattanooga envisions a community where all individuals and families achieve their full human potential through education, stability and health & well-being.
Frequent Volunteer Opportunities (virtual and/or in-person) in the Knoxville Area		https://leadserve.utk.edu/reoccurring-volunteer-opportunities/	leadserve@utk.edu	This website is updated by the University of Tennessee at Knoxville Clay and Debbie Jones Center for Leadership and Service.

National Virtual Community Service Agencies and Sites

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Be My Eyes	Non-Profit	https://www.bemyeyes.com/	https://bemyeyes.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/categories/360000920938-Sighted-Volunteer	Volunteers have opportunities to assist a blind or low-vision individual in daily tasks thru live video conference calls based on your stated availability (an average call takes about 3-5 minutes). Students will need to download an application on their cell phones and to create a profile. Due to the amount of involved volunteers, there may be some time between service opportunities. Interested volunteers are encouraged to look over the website for more information/answers to frequently asked questions.
Bookshare	Non-Profit	https://www.bookshare.org/cms/get-involved/volunteer/opportunities-us	(650)352-0198-Business Hours are Pacific Time https://www.bookshare.org/contactUs	Volunteers create or review PDFs of books in order to adapt the books to be understandable for individuals with disabilities. Students will need to submit an application/profile and have access to applicable software (available on most computers) to volunteer. Interested volunteers are encouraged to look over the website for more information/answers to frequently asked questions.
Prepr	Non-Profit	https://prepr.org/get-involved/volunteer/	volunteer@prepr.org	This organization is committed to making a difference globally in the field of education, as they are looking for volunteers who are interested in marketing, website development, and graphic design to making multi-national education enrichment accessible. Interested students will need to submit a contact form, resume, and a brief explanation on why they want to serve as a volunteer. This would be a great opportunity for a longer period of time.
Learn To Be	Non-Profit	https://www.learntobe.org/contact	https://www.learntobe.org/contact	Volunteers will have an opportunity to teach (mainly math and reading)/mentor K to 12 students with a wide- variety of learning abilities and financial needs thru an online classroom on the organization's website. Interested students will need to complete an application/profile and complete a background check.
World Family Children Foundation	Non-Profit	https://www.worldfamilychildren.org/volunteer-registration.html	(510)585-3648-Business Hours are Pacific Time info@worldfamilychildren.org	Volunteers are needed to teach students of all grade levels. Interested students will have an opportunity to tutor the students through online social platforms (i.e. Zoom, Skype and Facebook Messenger). A registration form/application will need to be completed. Students should check back often for available opportunities/needs. Interested volunteers are encouraged to look over the website for more information/answers to frequently asked questions.
Operation Gratitude	Non-Profit	https://www.operationgratitude.com/express-your-thanks-virtual/write-letters-virtual/	info@operationgratitude.com	Volunteers have an opportunity to write care-cards for deployed troops, veterans, wounded heroes, and first-responders. Generally, writing 12-15 cards is considered one hour of service (unless otherwise noted). Interested students will need to register/follow the directions. Postage costs are not included. Please note that not all opportunities thru Operation Gratitude meet UTC's Community Service Definition and Guidelines.
Smithsonian	Caused-Based	https://www.si.edu/volunteer/DigitalVolunteers	VsyzHelp@si.edu	Volunteers have an opportunity to transcribe historic documents and collection records to facilitate research, accessibility, and to excite the learning in everyone. There are opportunities that involve flower gardens, encyclopedias, Wikipedia, and living organisms. Students are encouraged to visit the provided website to learn more about each of these opportunities and requirements. An application may be required.
Translators Without Borders	Non-Profit	https://translatorswithoutborders.org/volunteer/	translators@translatorswithoutborders.org	Volunteers that are fluent in another language have opportunities to help translate critical documents (i.e. medical, crisis response). Webpage design assistance may also be needed. A profile and application will need to be completed. Please ensure that your efforts meet UTC's Community Service Definition and Guidelines.
Helpful Links				
Points of Light (Search Database)		https://engage.pointsoflight.org/	info@pointsoflight.org	This is a database connecting individuals to volunteer opportunities wherever volunteers may be, virtual or in-person. Find more information at https://www.pointsoflight.org/

Campus Organization/Department	Contact Information	Mission/Purpose Statement
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Best Buddies	utcbestbuddies@gmail.com	The mission of Best Buddies is to establish a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment, and leadership development for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). At UTC, we do this by matching student volunteers in mutually enriching friendships with persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities.
Campus Civitan	Campuscivitanutc@gmail.com	Campus Civitan clubs focus on projects supporting individuals living with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities as well as projects that support their communities.
Center for Career and Leadership Development	Daniel-Grzesik@utc.edu	Leadership Development and Programs offer intentionally designed experiences devoted to career readiness that empower participants to impact others by inspiring engagement and intellectual curiosity.
UTC Circle K		Circle K is an international college organization sponsored by the Kiwanis International to promote service projects on campus and in the community.
Habitat for Humanity UTC Chapter	Emily Stumbo at zcx624@mocs.utc.edu	Habitat for Humanity UTC will work in partnership with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Chattanooga Area in the areas of fundraising, advocacy, education, and building affordable housing.
MOMentum Moms On Campus & Supporters	info@momentumnetwork.org	The purpose of the organization shall be to carry out the mission of The MOMentum Network by building a village that supports single mothers in college and their children as they build a better future two-generations at a time.
Save the Children Action Network	Chloe Encinas at cfc721@mocs.utc.edu	We are the political voice for kids. Together with our supporters, we focus on two critical issues: early childhood education and ending preventable deaths.
Scrappy's Cupboard	scrappyscupboard@utc.edu	Scrappy's Cupboard was founded to address food insecurity among University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (UTC) students. We provide emergency food assistance and referrals to all UTC students without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, pregnancy, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, physical or mental disability, or covered veteran status. Scrappy's Cupboard is coordinated by the Office of the Dean of Students and run by faculty, staff, and student volunteers from the UTC community.
UTC Bigs	tina@bbbschatt.org	This organization is for anyone looking for a fun, rewarding way to engage with other students while helping kids in our community! Current and former mentors will be able to meet other UTC students who are involved in the program, though you do not have to be a mentor to join. Other volunteer opportunities include assisting with fundraisers and special events.
UTC Lions Club	utclionsclub@gmail.com	The UTC Lions Club is a collaboration between community professionals and students. Service projects will focus on community health needs and mentoring opportunities where students will be partnered with professional mentors for career advice and guidance.
Campus Events		
UTC Homecoming Day of Service (Typically on a Sunday during the fall semester)	Laura-Petrus@utc.edu	Various of opportunities throughout the day that benefit the residents and organizations of Chattanooga.
Service Trips (Fall Break and Spring Break)		Various campus ministry groups, academic and student services departments typically offer a variety of opportunities
MLK Day of Service (On-Campus; Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday)		City of Chattanooga Day of Service that typically begins at a UTC Building.