



Our Values

People. We believe that through volunteer service, people have the capacity to enrich their own lives and improve the quality of life in their communities.

Diversity. We recognize that all people have time and talent to share, and that our community is strengthened when people connect.

Collaboration. We believe that we are at our best when we engage in collaborative efforts that will bring people and resources together, delivering creative solutions to community problems.

Our History

The Volunteer Center of Fresno County, Inc. was founded in 1962 by a group of community leaders who saw the value of volunteering for individuals and the community alike. Incorporated as a 501(c)(3) non-profit in 1975, the Volunteer Center continues as the leader in cultivating a community conscience that promotes the spirit, the value and the dignity of volunteerism.

Our Mission

The mission of the Volunteer Center of Fresno County is to serve as a leader for the community by matching volunteer resources with volunteer opportunities.

"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen nor touched...but felt in the heart."

Helen Keller

We Connect People With Opportunities to Serve

The Volunteer Center provides easy access to a wide range of volunteer opportunities at nonprofit organizations and local government agencies serving the entire community. We link people who want to help - individuals, families, students, businesses and their employees, civic, community, and faith-based organizations - with places or issues where their time, talent and interests can be utilized effectively.

We Promote Volunteering

We raise awareness of the value of volunteering. Through volunteer fairs, media campaigns and speakers bureaus, we encourage people to volunteer. We provide information about volunteering. We promote national service days, such as Martin Luther King, Jr., Make a Difference Day, National Family Volunteer Day. Through a variety of recognitions and awards programs, we recognize the outstanding contributions of volunteers, who make our communities a better place to live.

We Build Capacity for Effective Local Volunteering

We help agencies, businesses, and others who work with volunteers build their skills in recruiting, managing, retaining and recognizing volunteers. We provide volunteer management training and consultation, share volunteer management resource information, convene and advise professional associations leaders.

We Participate in Strategic Initiatives to Meet Local Needs

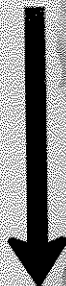
The Volunteer Center serves as a convener for the Community and catalyst for action. We work with local agencies, city government, businesses, schools, law enforcement, grassroots groups and community leaders to identify needs and mobilize volunteer response. We address diverse but critical community issues as youth violence, disaster response, illiteracy, homelessness, hunger, frail seniors, domestic violence, teen pregnancy, and accessibility and inclusiveness.

**become a volunteer
today!**



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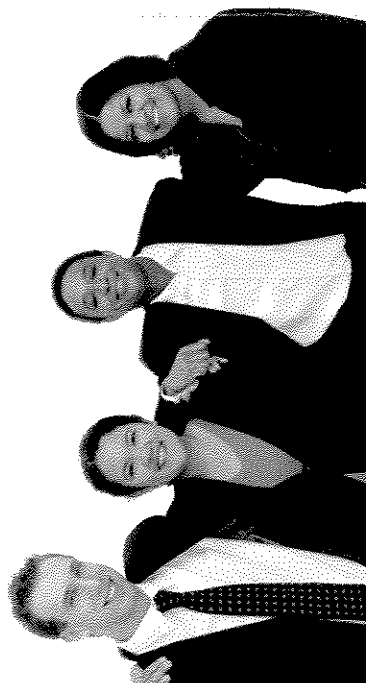
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Behind the ideas and efforts toward building a better world, volunteers fuel a movement of compassion and connection. You can make a difference by volunteering right here in your community. By sharing our time and talents to help others, we can help bring a sense of hope to our hearts, homes, and neighborhoods.

Together we can make a difference. Join us in working to connect our community through volunteering.

Call us at 559-237-3101 or visit us at www.vcfresno.org.



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can be great
because
EVERYONE
can serve!**



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Disaster Preparedness

Assisting with the January Freeze

The Governor has proclaimed a State of Emergency in 17 Southern counties as a result of the historic cold temperatures experienced throughout the state in January. For more information regarding these proclamations and updates, please visit the Governor's Office of Emergency Services website.

We know that Californians want to help those in need. For the weeks and months following the January 2007 freeze, many Californians in the affected region will need assistance. These needs are still being assessed.

People stuck back into California need to be quickly helped. How you can volunteer is being assessed in real time. The website will be updated with the latest information as it becomes available.

If you are interested in assisting a volunteer opportunity in the affected counties, please contact one of the volunteer agencies listed below. These organizations will be able to assist you in obtaining an appropriate volunteer opportunity.

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Red Cross of Southern California

Phone: (951) 780-1000 ext. 200

www.redcross.org

Phelan County

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San Bernardino County

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San Diego County

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Shasta County

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