Virtual Volunteering Opportunities

Nonprofits are the backbone of our communities – some are more visible than others in their impact and the needs they meet. While COVID-19 is affecting everyone, nonprofits are particularly feeling the pinch. They must simultaneously adjust their work environments and policies to ensure the safety and well-being of their staff and volunteers while demand for their programs and services surges beyond the scale their networks are prepared to handle. We listed virtual volunteering opportunity categories below. If you are interested in a particular category, we encourage you to investigate these opportunities by selecting one of the links in that category. As you consider the many virtual/remote volunteer opportunities available to you, please keep in mind the nonprofit organizations may be delayed in responding to your expressions of interest and/or inquiries.

DISASTER ASSISTANCE OPPORTUNITIES

- The American Red Cross always has needs for volunteers to act as digital advocates.
 Volunteers can help generate donations to the Red Cross while shopping for themselves online or by setting up online fundraisers. Volunteers can also help spread awareness by repost their social media content. Several virtual volunteer opportunities are available.
- Humanitarian Data Exchange (HDX) Key data needed by humanitarian workers
 addressing critical needs during a crisis, such as a natural or man-made disaster, as well
 as data needed by other development workers and researchers, is often trapped in PDF
 documents. Volunteers extract this data into a database so that it can be easily found,
 helping anyone to visualize trend lines across regions or countries and compare this
 data to other indicators.
- <u>Humanity Road</u> volunteers use Internet and mobile communications technology to collect, verify and route information online during disasters. They provide public safety information as well as directing the public to governmental and aid agencies that are providing assistance for the disaster.